



## Aspire Curriculum Knowledge Organiser: A Journey Through Time

**Big Question: What influence did the Ancient Greeks have on modern society?**

**Year 5**

**Autumn 1**



What? Key Knowledge Takeaways	Who? Famous People		Key Vocabulary	Definition				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* The Olympics started in Ancient Greece and still take place today.</li> <li>* Democracy began in Ancient Greece.</li> <li>* The Greek Empire was made up of 1400 islands next to the sea, which meant that they were seafaring people. Each city-state was ruled by a powerful city, led by a ruler or government.</li> <li>* Greece is a warm country but winds from the Mediterranean and rains from the north kept temperatures livable and created fertile farming conditions.</li> <li>* Ancient Greek Myths are still read today. They often include monsters and heroes.</li> <li>* Our alphabet was developed using some of the alphabet that the Ancient Greeks used.</li> </ul>	<b>Alexander the Great</b>	Alexander the Great, was a king of the Ancient Greek kingdom of Macedon. He was a famous warrior.	<b>Acropolis</b>	An acropolis is a fortified citadel within a larger city. It is usually located on top of a hill and at the centre of the city.				
	<b>Aphrodite</b>	Aphrodite is an Ancient Greek goddess associated with love, beauty, pleasure and passion.	<b>Assembly</b>	In Athens the Assembly consisted of the group of citizens who showed up to vote.				
	<b>Hera</b>	Hera is the goddess of women, marriage, family, and childbirth in ancient Greek religion and myth. She was the sister of Zeus.	<b>Democracy</b>	A form of government where citizens have a say in how they are ruled including choosing their leaders and deciding on laws.				
	<b>Hermes</b>	Hermes was the ancient Greek god of trade, wealth, luck, sleep, language, thieves, and travel.	<b>Oligarchy</b>	A type of government where the power is held by a few people.				
	<b>Pheidippides</b>	Pheidippides is said to have run from Marathon to Athens to deliver news of the victory of the battle of Marathon. He was central figure in the story that inspired a modern sporting event, the marathon race.	<b>Olympics</b>	An athletic event held by the Ancient Greeks every four years.				
	<b>Zeus</b>	Zeus is the god of the sky, thunder and lightning in Ancient Greek religion and myth, and was the King of the gods on Mount Olympus.	<b>Titans</b>	The Titans were the first Greek gods.				
When? Timeline								
3000 BC	1200 BC	850 BC	776 BC	600 BC	508 BC	450 BC	404 BC	146 BC
Minoan Civilisation begins on Crete	The Trojan Wars	The Greek Alphabet was devised	The First Olympic Games	First coins appeared in Greece	Democracy began across Greek states	Athens controls a large empire and is very powerful	Peloponnesian War - Sparta defeats Athens	Greece is conquered by the Romans, becoming part of the Roman Empire.