Year 3 History – Ancient Greece

Ideas to Support your child with history learning

The topic of the Ancient Greeks could be learned over 3 or 4 weeks.

Below is a suggestion of information your child could find out about to make a topic book about Ancient Greek society and conflict. Each title could take 2 or 3 sessions to complete, so your child can collect information, organise it and then write it up and maybe illustrate it too. Each title could produce between half a page and a page of writing with illustrations. (This is just a guide, some children will complete more than this and some children will only be able to complete just a sentence or two.)

Title 1: **Conflict**

What does conflict mean?

How was Greece divided in Ancient Times? Who were the Spartans and Athenians?

What do the vases that we looked at tell us about conflict in Ancient Greece? How do they provide evidence? What do these vases tell us about the past and how accurate are they? Can you find some vases to back up your evidence?

Who were the ‘hoplites?’

Title 2:  **Battle of Marathon?**

What was the Battle of Marathon? (Before you look it up why not have a guess as to what it was from its name)

Who was the battle between?

How were the Spartans different from the Athenians?

What happened at the battle?

Who was Pheidippides?

You could have a go writing a diary entry from the view of either a Spartan or an Athenian using what you have found out.

Title 3 Troy

What was the battle of Troy?

What can you remember from our topic on Greek Myths?

What were Priam’s Treasures? Can you find some pictures of some and guess what they are before looking up what they were?

Maybe you could create a comic strip for the main parts of the story of Troy

1. The Greeks arriving for battle.
2. Men hiding inside a wooden horse while the Greeks pretend to sail away.
3. The Trojans bringing the horse to the gates.
4. The Greeks climbing out at night and letting the army in.
5. The final battle.