

# Ancient Greece Year 3

## An Introduction to Ancient Greece



### Project 1 - Timeline

# Where in the world is Greece?



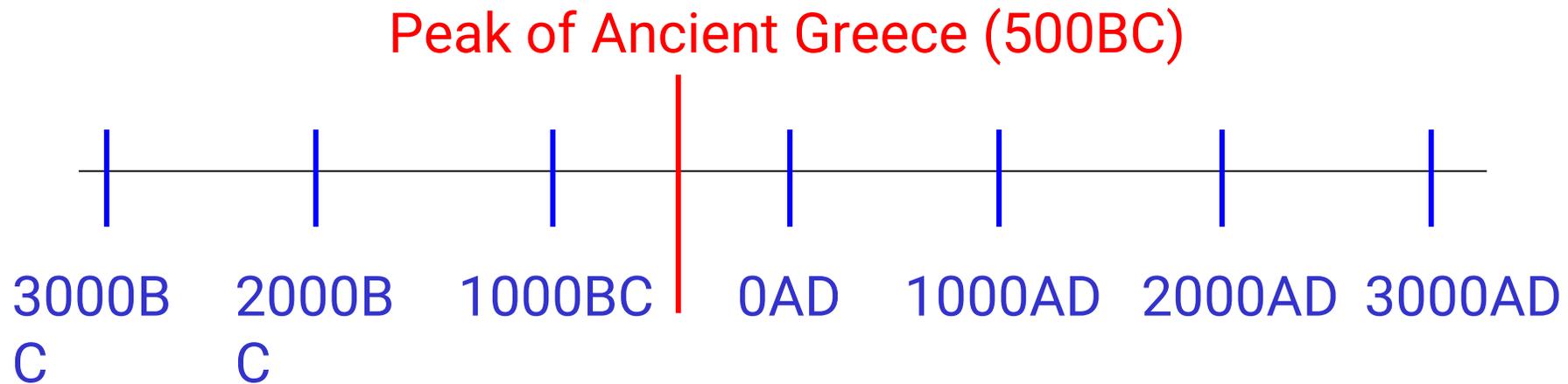
- Greece is on the continent of **Europe**
- Greece is bordered by **Albania, Bulgaria, Turkey, Republic of Macedonia**
- Can you identify which seas are around Greece?

**How far back do we need to go to find out about Ancient Greece?**



## Timeline of Ancient Greece

The Ancient Greeks dominated and ruled their area of land in Greece from **800BC – 146BC**.



BC = Before Christ

AD = Anno Domini (the Year of the Lord.)

**What will we be learning about over  
the coming weeks?**





First Greeks established in **800BC**.

Athens and Sparta were the strongest cities.

People who lived in Athens were called Athenians. They had a democracy, where thousands of people took charge of the city.

## Spartan Soldiers



Boys went to school at 7 years old and were taken from their families to train and learn to develop skills for fighting.

Sparta was ruled by two Kings.

All baby boys in Sparta were checked to see if they were going to be strong enough to become Spartan Warriors.

Cities in Greece fought over land and fertile land to grow crops was rare.



# What did the Ancient Greeks do for us?



Architecture

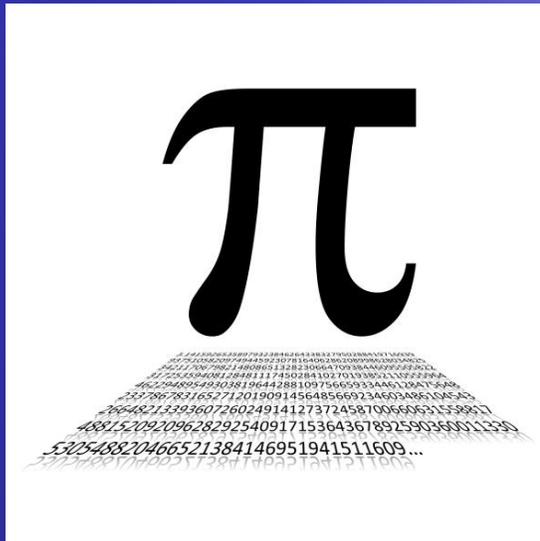
Democracy



Maths

Sport

Philosophy



***Don't worry if you don't know what all these words mean – we will learn about them before the end of this topic.***

# Let's look at some key events from the Ancient Greek timeline



## Battle of Marathon – 490BC



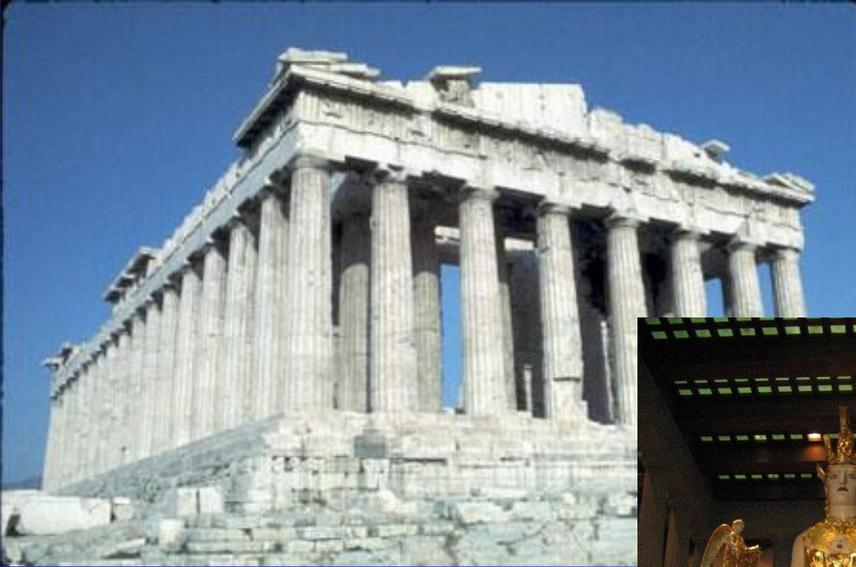
King Darius of Persia sent 200,000 soldiers to invade Greece and attack the Athenians. The Athenians had only 10,000 men.

The Athenians sent a runner called **Pheidippides** to Sparta to ask for help. He ran 120km to Sparta!

The Spartans would not help until the next full moon because they were celebrating a religious festival.

The Athenians won the battle. They had lost only 192 men and the Persians lost around 6,400 men.

## The completion of the Parthenon – 432BC



Greek temple was built in Athens for the Goddess Athena of wisdom and war.

The temple was made out of big blocks of marble and moved on carts and sledges.

Inside the temple was a huge statue of Athena, which was 14 metres high! Her eyes were made out of precious jewels.

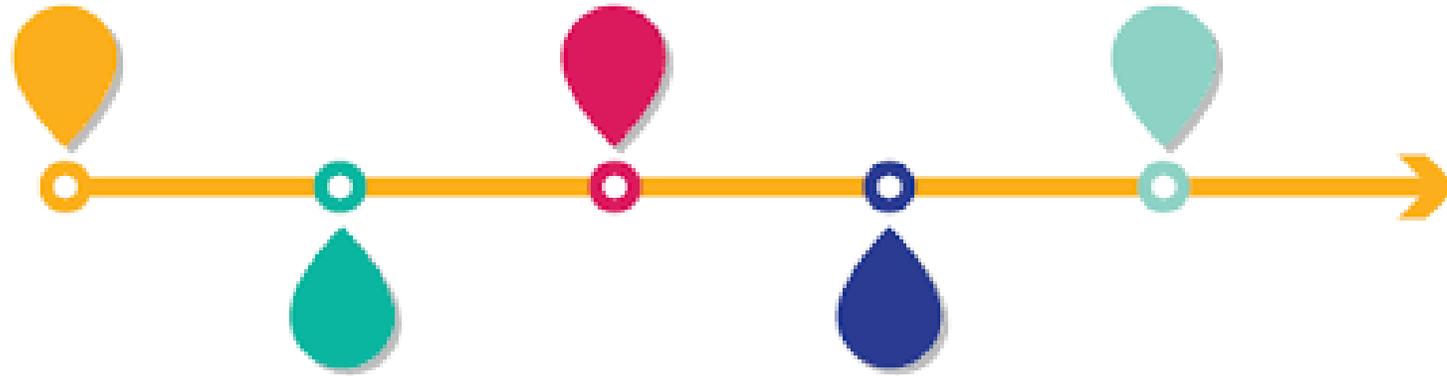
## The Romans conquer Greece – 146BC

To the Romans, the Greek civilization was a source of inspiration – they were very interested in what the culture had achieved.

But the Romans were also hungry for land and power and in 146BC they conquered Greece and there was a period of Roman rule.



Your task is to create a timeline of Ancient Greek events



To be successful:

- ✓ Correctly sort the events on the **timeline cards**
- ✓ Write a short paragraph about one of these **key events**

Remember – **Look carefully at the BC dates, should they be going up or going down?**