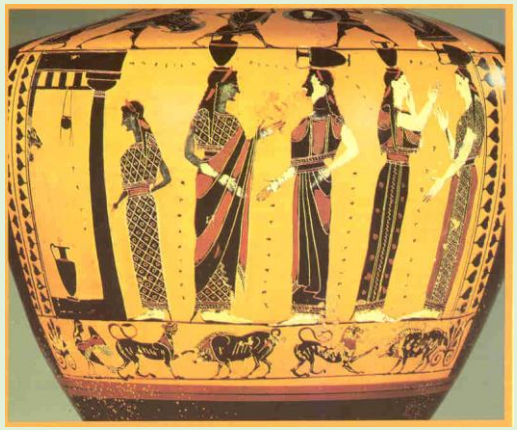
History – Ancient Greece – Year 6 – Autumn 1

Vocabulary Top Ten:

BC	stands for 'Before Christ'
Democracy	meaning 'rule by the people," where citizens actively participated in making laws and decisions
Golden Age of Athens	a time of great achievements and happiness in the ancient Greek city of Athens
Minotaur	a monster with the body of a man and the head of a bull
Olympics	a sporting and religious festival held every four years in Olympia, honouring the god Zeus
Ostracism	meaning 'judgement by shards'
Ostracon	piece of pottery, usually broken off from a vase
Pentathlon	a five-event athletic competition forming part of the Ancient Olympic Games
Pnyx	a hill in ancient Athens where the Greeks met to discuss and vote on laws
Water clock	a device used to measure time by the controlled flow of water -'clepsydra'

Evidence depicting the role of women in Ancient Greece





Ancient Greek Olympics

The Pentathlon was made up of five different events: long jump, javelin throw, discus throw, stadion (a foot race), and wrestling

This event took place on the afternoon of day two of the ancient Greek Olympic Games.

If one athlete won the first three events – discus, javelin and jumping – the final two events, running and wrestling, were cancelled.





Ancient Greek Theatre









Ancient Greek plays had a religious theme and most plays were about gods and their dealing with humans.

Large theatres capable of holding 20,000 people were built all over Greece.

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2000 BC — Palace at Knossos, Crete



1200 BC — Trojan wars



776BC — First Olympic games



650BC — Homer



490BC — Battle of Marathon



400BC — Wars between Athens and Sparta

350BC — Archimedes



150BC — Romans conquer Greece



Golden age of Athens