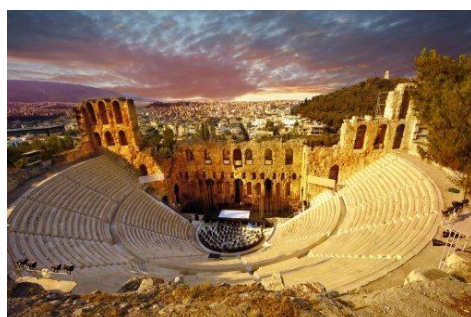


The Rise of the Roman Empire

Year 4 Charlies
Theme 1 - 2021/2022

Big Picture: Athens and Rome were early democracies. Macedonia and Rome expanded their borders to create vast empires. Greek and Roman gods share more than just a passing resemblance. From their origins as city-states, the Greek Hellas and the Roman Empire have influenced Europe and the wider world for millennia since their fall.
How was the Roman Republic influenced by ancient Greece and how did it become an Empire?



As good citizens we will be looking at similarities and differences between laws and punishments of the Romans and our laws today.

As writers we will be retelling the myth of the foundation of Rome, *Romulus and Remus*.

As historians we will be learning about the daily life of ordinary people during ancient times, as well as focusing on some significant individuals.

As geographers we will be comparing the physical geography and climate of the Mediterranean to the UK.

As mathematicians we will be investigating how Roman Numerals relate to place value of modern numerals.

As artists we will create some observational drawings and paintings of artefacts and recreate some ancient Greek pottery using clay.

As design technologists we will be designing and building Roman Catapults.

As experts in religion, we will explore how important the gods were in the daily life of Roman citizens.

As philosophers, we will discuss the idea of freedom as a human right.

Mantle

Micythus, a merchant in Rome, has spotted a market for Greece art and goods within the Roman Republic.

Can the children help Micythus to make Greek-inspired goods to sell to the people of Rome?

Other experiences

D&T: Children will get creative with clay by making their very own ancient Greek-inspired pottery. As we delve deeper into the Romans we will make our very own Roman catapults from wood using precise measurements and saws to cut!

Drama: Children will take on the role of the Roman Senate as they discuss what to do about the slave rebellion led by Spartacus.

Key aspects of learning across the curriculum

We will continue to develop our key skills of:

- Enquiry
- Problem solving
- Creative thinking
- Information processing and computing
- Reasoning
- Evaluation
- Self Awareness
- Managing Feelings
- Motivation
- Empathy
- Social skills
- Communication