

ANCIENT GREECE



- **The Ancient Greeks were 'great thinkers'.**
- It is believed that the 12 most powerful gods lived on Mount Olympus.
- Stories were told about the gods and goddesses and included heroic quests and mythical creatures.
- Greece was made up of lots of smaller states and they often went to war with one another or with foreign enemies.
- Athenians - People from the Greek city-state of Athens.
- Spartans - People from the Greek city-state of Sparta.
- Hippocrates 'Father of Medicine'.
- The Olympic Games began in Olympia.
- Some of the evidence about ancient Greece comes from paintings discovered on vases.
- The Romans took over the Greeks (The Greeks were first).
- The Ancient Greeks had **democracy** – system of government where people vote to decide things.

Zeus – King of the gods. His temper affected the weather and he threw thunder bolts.

Hera – Queen of the gods - Goddess of Women

Poseidon - God of the Sea

Ares - God of War

Aphrodite - Goddess of Love and Beauty

Demeter - Goddess of Harvest

Athena - Goddess of Strategy

Apollo - God of the Sun, Music and Poetry

Artemis - Goddess of the Hunt

Hephaestus - God of Fire

Hermes - the Messenger God

Dionysus - God of Wine and Celebration