



Year 5 Ancient Civilizations

At Merridale, history, geography, art and design and technology are taught through a topic based approach which we call discover.

History

Children will look at Ancient civilizations and how they compare to life today. They will develop a secure chronology of the Ancient civilizations, discuss the significance of each civilization and the impact of their developments in art, politics and technology on our everyday lives.

Civilizations we will look at are:

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| Ancient Sumer | Ancient Egypt |
| Indus Valley | Ancient Greece |
| Shang Dynasty | |

Geography

In geography, children will look at Egypt and Greece.

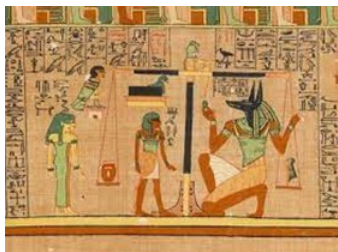
They will learn the physical features of both Egypt and Greece, and how the physical features of both have affected the human features.

They will explore what we know of Ancient Egypt and Ancient Greece, and what these places looked like and how life looked like thousands of years ago, using evidence of the past to do so.

They will explore the similarities and differences between both Egypt and Greece and the UK.

Art and Design

Children will study Ancient Egyptian paintings, learning how to imitate the proportions and orientations of Egyptian art, learning about their function, purpose and significance in history.



Design and Technology

Children will recreate Greek Amphora pottery, learning about its purpose and chronology with other pieces of artwork we have studied, as well as what it tells us about life in Ancient Greece. They will practice such skills as pinching, rolling, symmetry and scoring.



Activities to complete at home

- Research a significant figure from any of the Ancient civilizations we are studying and write a fact file on them.
- Write an information sheet on the significant features of an Ancient Civilization.
- Create a diary entry from the point of view of someone who lived in Ancient Egypt.
- Research famous landmarks from any Ancient Civilization (e.g. pyramids) and present the information however you choose.
- Create a diary entry from the point of view of someone who lived in Ancient Greece.
- Draw a design a piece of Greek Amphora pottery.
- Create an information sheet comparing life in the UK to an Ancient Civilization.
- Create a digital version of an Egyptian painting.
- Create a version of an Egyptian painting or a piece of Greek pottery in an imaginative way e.g. collage, chalk on the pavement