**Ancient Greece Timeline** (All events BCE)

3000 – 1200 **Bronze Age (because of the discovery and use of bronze)**

- Arrival of the first Greek-speaking people to Greece (3000)

- Height of Minoan civilization (1700-1450)

- Height of Mycenaean civilization (1400-1200)

- Trojan War (1200)

1200 – 800 **Dark Age (little is known about this time)**

- Series of invasions and migrations throughout Greece

800 – 500 **Archaic Period (revival of Greek culture and civilization)**

- City-states began to develop across Greece (800)

- First Olympic Games were held (776)

- Greeks began using the Phoenician alphabet (750)

- Homer wrote *The Iliad* and *The Odyssey* (800-700)

- Kypselos becomes the Tyrant of Corinth (650)

- Greeks begin using coined money (600)

- Beginning of Greek Science, Mathematics and Philosophy (600)

- Democratic government formed in Athens (510)

500 – 330 **Classical Period (the Arts flourish)**

- Temple of Zeus built at Olympia (500)

- Greco-Persian Wars (490-448)(Marathon/Thermopylae/etc…)

- The Golden Age – Athens reaches highest glory under Pericles (461-429)

- Acropolis and Parthenon built in Athens (447-438)

- Age of great drama and theater (484-400)

- Peloponnesian War between Sparta and Athens (431-404)

- Athens surrenders to Sparta (404)

- Greek study of History and Geography begin (430)

- Socrates is Executed (399)

- Macedonia conquers all of Greece (371-338)(King Phillip II of Macedonia)

- Expansion of Greek Empire under rule of Alexander the Great (336-323)

- Alexander dies (323)

- Aristotle dies (322)

330 – 146 **Hellenistic Age (Greek influence, under Macedonian rule)**

- Great age of Greek scientific discovery (200s)

**-** Series of wars between Rome and Macedonia (215-146)

**-** Greece becomes part of the Roman Empire after defeating Macedonia (146)