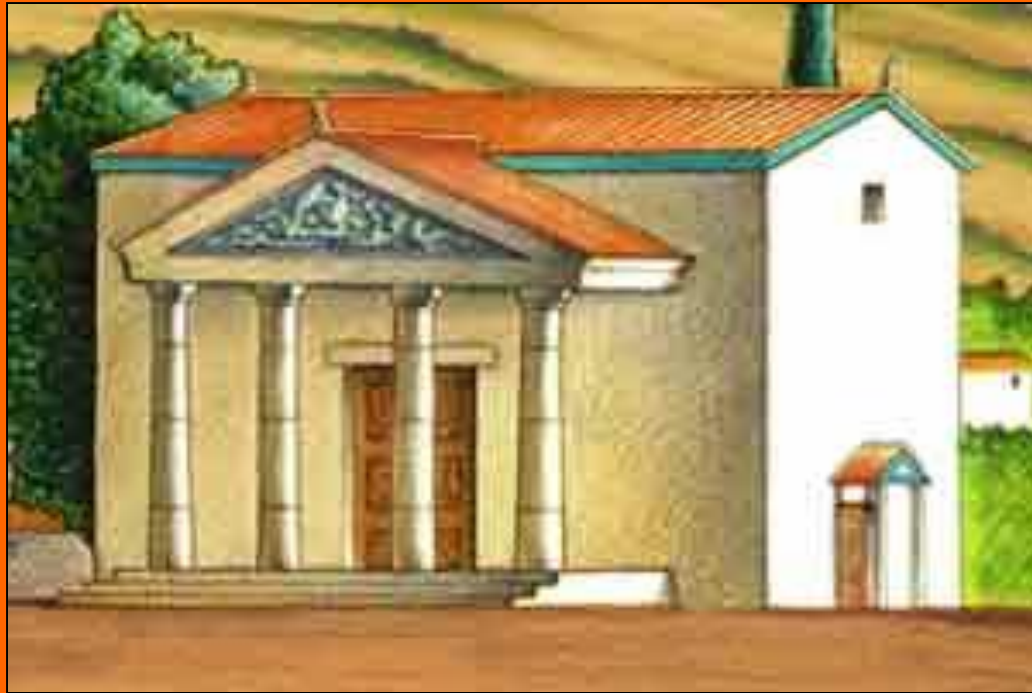
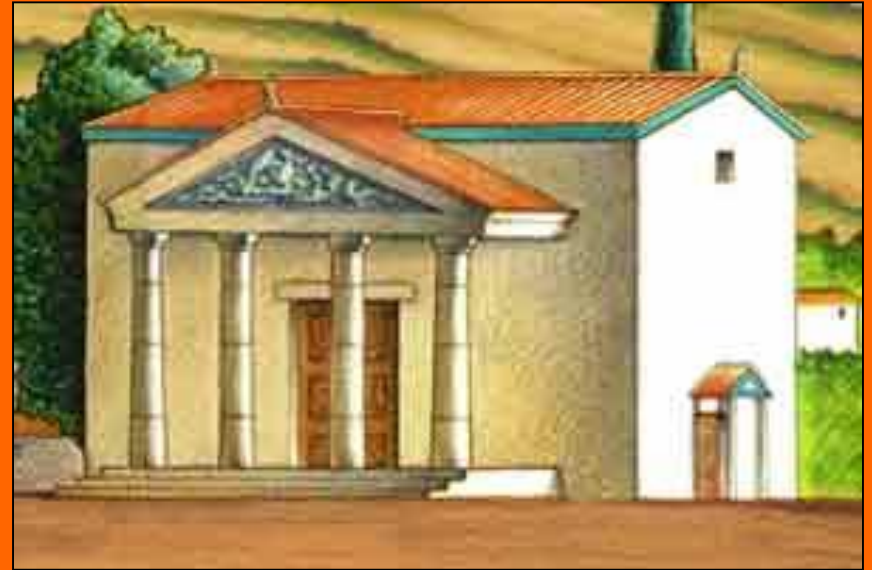


Schools in Ancient Greece



At school in Ancient Greece

- Greek law said that parents had to educate their children. However, the separate states did not fund the building of schools.
- Only rich Greek boys went to school
- The school was called the 'gymnasium' - the Greeks regarded physical strength and agility as an equal to a strong mind.
- Boys started school at 7 years old
- Girls did not go to school - instead they were expected to stay at home with their mothers



Arriving at School

- The way children were educated was different in each state.
- Some boys were taken to school by a **paidagogos**. He is a special slave. The Greeks used trustworthy slaves who were charged with the duty of supervising the life and morals of boys belonging to the better class.
- The boys were not allowed so much as to step out of the house without them before arriving at the age of manhood.
- He reports to the boy's father. This is a very responsible position - failure to complete the role properly would result in severe punishment and humiliation.



School



- Spartans believed that it was important to be a good fighter instead of being able to read or write.
- Athenians had to be educated so that they could vote. They also had to be fit in order to fight in the army.
- Being a teacher was regarded as an important and noble job
- The school was one big room
- There were no desks
- There were different lessons in different parts of the room such as reading, studying poetry, and wrestling.

Questions...

- What was the school called in ancient Greece? gymkhana, gymnasium, gymslip
- Who attended school? boys only, girls only, boys and girls
- Who did girls spend their day with? the boys, their mothers, their fathers
- What is a paidagogos? a teacher, the name for a pencil, a slave

Yes!



Well done!

[Back to question page.](#)

No!

Oh dear!

Try again!



[Back to question page.](#)

Your challenge

- To write down as many facts as you can remember from this PowerPoint about Ancient Greek school and any information from worksheets or the iPad into your own words.
- Then compare these to schools now-think about Orchards!
- Remember capital letters and full stops in your sentences.