

Upper 2's Ancient Olympics



Upper 2 concluded their study of Ancient Greece with a trip to the sacred grove of Altis beneath the shadow of the altar of Zeus. There they competed for their city states in tests of speed, strength and skill, albeit in a sharper breeze than the Olympians of old had to put up with and with considerably less sacrificing of oxen.

The children were engaged and enthusiastic in their participation and wildly partisan in their support as Sparta, Athens, Corinth and Elis battled it out on the field of competition. By the end of the afternoon, the glory and the bragging rights in the overall team contest were on their way back along the dusty road to Elis.

But what of individual heroes? Muhammed of Athens conquered all in the discus, Gabriel of Elis triumphed in the long jump, but Harper of Elis pleased the goddess Nike the most as double champion in running and javelin.

Zeus was honoured by all of their efforts and so were we.

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