

Upper 2's Ancient Olympics



This week, Upper 2 rounded-off their Ancient Greeks topic with a visit to the sacred grove of Altis, where, having paid their respects to Zeus, they were provided with a chance to test their mettle in their very own ancient Olympics.

Deciding against the necessary paperwork, the pankration (a brutal, no-holds-barred fighting event) was reluctantly dispensed-with and the children competed for the glory of their city-state in running, long jump, javelin, discus and the hoplite race (running in a helmet and carrying a shield).

Everyone put their all into the event, with Thebes ultimately triumphing over Athens, Sparta and Corinth in the overall points table.

Raffy of Athens took home the wreath as the winner of the long jump, alongside compatriot Olly of Athens who was victorious in the javelin. Henry of Corinth won the running competition with Mika and George bringing the respective laurels for discus and the hoplite race home to Thebes.

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