Olympic Games

The Olympic Games originated in 1896. In these games 208 countries competed to be the best. The Olympics has a different mascot each year that reflects on the country played in. These mascots' job is to create excitement on what's to come. There is so much more interesting information about the Olympic games.

The ancient games were held in southern Greece 776bc. These Olympics would have sport such as wrestling, boxing, running, discus, long jump, pentathlon, pankration, chariot racing, equestrian and javelin. The medals have changed to, in these games you would win a crown of olive leaves and now if you won you would be awarded a medal. These sports have changed a lot from 776bc and now. Every Greek born men could compete and only single women could attend the events. These men would compete naked, but after 20 years they started to wear an athlete's garment. Now competitors would wear different clothes according to the sport played.

In the Olympic Games there are many sports played. There are 2 different groups these sports are categorised into. They are winter and summer sports. In the Winter Olympics the sports are skiing, curling, skating, bobsleigh, skeleton, cross country, snowboarding, luge, nordic combined and biathlon. The summer olympics sports are basketball, soccer, rugby, tennis, gymnastics, swimming, athletics, surfing, hockey and more.



The 5 rings are a symbol of the participating continents Africa, Australia, America, Europe and Asia. The rings are connected which symbolises we are one and all the same. Each continent has their own ring black is Africa, blue is Europe, green is Australia, red is America and blue is Asia.

The location of the games change each year. The Olympics committee decides where it is held by casting a vote. The country with the most votes has the Olympics held in that place. The Olympics are held every 4 years so the country it's held in has time to prepare for the game.

The Olympic Games is an event where all nations can compete and come together. They are held in different areas of the world and create happiness throughout the world.