

The Ancient Greek myth of *Demeter and Triptolemus*

Demeter (Greek goddess of the harvest) was **searching all over** Greece for Pershephone (the Greek goddess of vegetation who had gone missing) when she received a hospitable **welcome** from Celeus.

Celeus didn't know Demeter was a Goddess as Demeter had taken form of **an old woman** called Doso.

Celeus asked as a favour from Demeter to look after his sons Demophon and Triptolemus.

Demeter noticed that **Triptolemus was sick** and she **fed him milk**. Triptolemus not only recovered his **strength** but he instantly became an adult.

Demeter also taught Triptolemus the art of agriculture (**growing crops**). Triptolemos then **flew** across Greece on a **winged chariot** to complete his mission of educating the whole of Greece, and the whole world, on the art of agriculture.