

Classics Department

The Classics Department aims to provide a full, interesting and stimulating course for all girls from Year 8 and for those in Years 10-11 and Sixth Form who choose to study Latin or Classical Civilisation.

There are 2 dedicated Classics teaching rooms, along with an office where centralised resources are kept. The Department currently consists of 1 full time and 1 part time staff including the Head of Department. This is a hardworking, dynamic and friendly department, which owes its success to close co-operation and excellent teamwork.

Our approach to teaching Classics mixes both traditional and innovative methods to ensure the subject is interesting and relevant, and to achieve excellent results at GCSE and Advanced Level. We follow the Cambridge Latin Course in Years 8 and 9, to give students the opportunity to develop both their language and reading skills. All lessons are conducted at a good pace, and our expectations are high.

The School follows a two week timetable, with six 50 minute lessons a day. For Year 8, the pupils have 3 lessons a fortnight. In Year 9, they have 4 lessons, and in Years 10 and 11 they have 6 lessons a fortnight. In years 12 and 13, AS/A level pupils have 11 lessons a fortnight.

The Classics department is a part of the Modern Foreign Languages faculty and very active within the school contributing to events such as the Linguists' dinner, in addition to running a number of co-curricular activities such as Classics Club, Greek Club and clinics. We also offer study trips to Fishbourne Roman palace; the British Museum; Rome and the Bay of Naples and Greece. As a department we are keen to continue developing the breadth of co-curricular opportunities we offer the students as we firmly believe that these not only enhance learning but foster a lifelong passion for the subject.

Classics is a growing choice in the sixth form, with the department offering A Levels in Latin and Classical Civilisation. For both Latin and Classical Civilisation we follow the OCR exam board.



In addition, our Greek Club offers students the opportunity to take Ancient Greek GCSE.

We are seeking to appoint a teacher who is committed to enabling their students to achieve the highest possible standard, is willing to be involved in the co-curricular activities offered by the department and who is keen to work as part of our team.



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Independent School for Girls aged 3-18

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