



Classics

The Classics department is staffed by two full-time teachers and has a well-stocked library and a wealth of IT resources. The department has a new home in the newly constructed Turberville building where all Modern Languages, Maths and Sixth Form are hosted.

Within the language curriculum, all pupils on joining the school in Year 7 study Latin as part of a programme of languages. It becomes an optional subject in Years 8 and Year 9, and finally a firm GCSE option in Year 10.

Generally, around thirty pupils in Year 11 take the OCR examination. The results are consistently excellent, with the vast majority of pupils achieving 8-9 grades. In the Sixth Form, a small but enthusiastic group of students follow the OCR course through to A level examination with a significant proportion of them successfully applying to read Classics at leading universities.

Outside of lessons, the department offers an enrichment programme with a range of activities, including trips to sites of classical interest both in this country and abroad, museums, plays and lecture visits.

We offer Ancient Greek to a small but strong and enthusiast group of Classicists; thus Ancient Greek language skills would be useful but not necessary.

There may also be opportunity for the introduction of Classical Civilisation as the school continues to provide a wider range of courses.

Person Specification

We seek an inspirational and academic qualified teacher to join this key department.

The successful candidate will be a graduate of a good university, able to demonstrate a sound subject knowledge, high academic standards and an ability to enthuse pupils of all ages. Experience in a similarly high-performing academic environment will be a distinct advantage.

All teaching staff are expected to contribute to our extensive co-curricular programme. A willingness to be involved in Games (boys' or girls') would be a particular recommendation.

The post holder's responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons for whom he / she is responsible, or with whom he / she comes into contact will be to adhere to and ensure compliance with the School's Safeguarding Policy Statement at all times. If, in the course of carrying out the duties of the post the post holder becomes aware of any actual or potential risks to the safety or welfare of children in the School he / she must report any concerns to the School's Designated Safeguarding Lead.