



12th March 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

SMSJ is building a relationship with the Classics Department at both UCL and King's College, two of the country's most prestigious universities. UCL and King's College have created the London Classics Summer School, which offers 8 days of intensive teaching.

We are now writing to the parents and guardians of a select group of pupils from year 9 and year 10. Your child has been chosen as we believe this a wonderful opportunity for them.

Pupils will undertake a thorough programme of language learning in a lively university environment in central London, taught by highly experienced university tutors.

Dates

- Activity Week will take place between the 16th - 18th July.
- The London Classics Summer School will take place between the 8th - 17th July.
- UCL have been very accommodating and will run a 6 day course for our year 9 Duke of Edinburgh pupils between the 8th - 15th July.
- On the 18th July, pupils will do an activity with their Latin group.

Course Content

All classes are language based. Some classes concentrate mainly on reading texts, while others offer a mixture of grammar and translation practice. The precise content of each class is defined by individual tutors, depending on the needs of the class.

The aims of the course are to:

- introduce pupils to the vocabulary and grammar of Latin
- help pupils read simple texts and/or original texts
- help pupils brush up on language skills
- advance pupil knowledge in preparation for undergraduate or postgraduate study (if appropriate)
- help pupils acquire an ancient language

Pupils will have four hours of tuition every day. Additionally, there are talks and workshops after class in most days (3.45-5.00pm).

Learning outcomes

Depending on your chosen language, and level, you'll be able to:

- understand the grammar and syntax of Latin
- read texts in the original language (adapted or unadapted, depending on level)
- gain a better awareness of the inner workings of Latin and use this to approach real texts
- be introduced to Coptic and Hebrew and read simple texts in these languages

We are looking forward to offering this opportunity to our pupils annually, as the school offers intensive teaching in Latin, at all levels.

If you wish to show your interest, please complete the following slip and ask pupils to hand this in to me in the staffroom. Ideally, I would like forms returned to me by Monday 18th March 2019,

Alternatively, if you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to ask me. mpavlidis@smsj.london

Kind regards,

Ms M Pavlides
Head of English - Secondary Phase

Cc - Ms E Field, Head of Humanities, Secondary Phase

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London Classics School - Notification of Interest

Pupil Name	
Year Group	

Please return to Ms Pavlides in the Staff Room by Monday 18th March 2019

Primary Phase, Neale House Campus, Prothero Gardens, Hendon, NW4 3SL
Junior Phase, Bennett House Campus, Sunningfields Road, Hendon, NW4 4QR
Senior Phase, Stamford Raffles Campus, Downage, Hendon, NW4 1AB

