

CLASSICS

Pupil year: L5 - U5 (Yr 10-11)

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CLASSICAL GREEK

The course gives an enjoyable introduction to Greek life, history and ideas, and enables girls to read selected passages from ancient Greek authors. Although the course is focused on the language and literature, it also enables us to introduce girls to the artistic achievements of the Greeks. We read from a variety of authors e.g. the poetry of Homer and drama of Euripides; selections from Herodotus and Plato.

Four units will be examined for GCSE. These are:

- Two language units consisting of translation and comprehension
- Two units from verse literature, prose literature and sources for Classical Greece.

LATIN

The first two years of Latin, which have now been completed, are the foundation for the GCSE course. We shall continue to develop language skills through translation and comprehension work. Further aims of the course are to read and appreciate some of the literature in the original language and to acquire a wider understanding of the life, history and customs of the Roman people and their contribution to the culture of Europe. We read from a variety of authors, e.g. the poetry of Virgil, Ovid, Catullus, selections from Tacitus' history and Cicero.

Four units will be examined for GCSE. These are:

- Two language units comprising translation and comprehension
- Two units chosen from verse literature, prose literature and sources for Latin.