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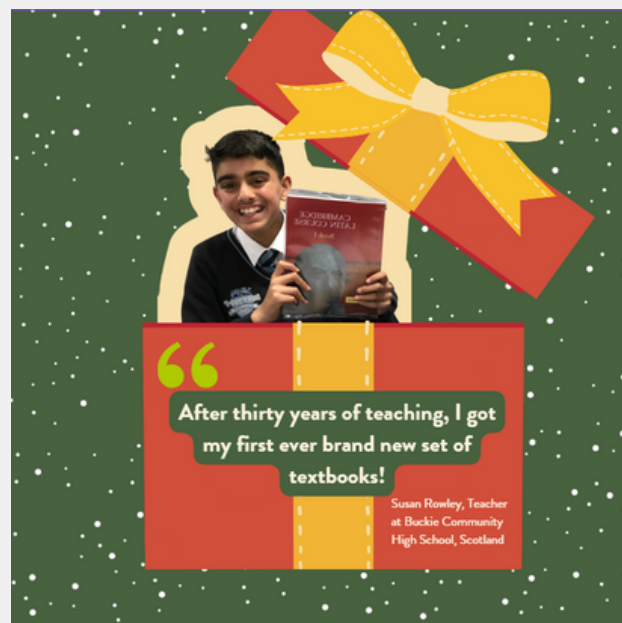
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WELCOME TO THE CLASSICS FOR ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL DECEMBER NEWSLETTER!

I hope this term has been going well and the lead up to Christmas isn't too crazy! I hope Nativity plays and Carol Concerts have been wonderful too! My son has his Year 3 one next week, and I can't wait to see the children singing so beautifully and to get into the Christmas spirit. As parents, we really do appreciate all the amazing work that you all do! Back to Classics! If you would like to be featured in the Newsletter this year at any point, please do get in touch via grants@classicsforall.org.uk and let me know what you would like me to share with others! We love to hear quotes from children too!

THE BIG GIVE 2024!

Instead of celebrating one particular school, I wanted to celebrate all of you, and WITH all of you, to share the fantastic results of The Big Give Christmas Challenge this year! We raised a huge total of £147,265!!!! It was our most successful Big Give yet, and means we can continue to support you in doing the amazing work you all do, and introduce Classics into even more new schools! Please keep telling other schools about us!



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CHAMPIONING CLASSICS IN SCHOOLS

THE BIG GIVE CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE

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WORD ROOTS OF THE MONTH:

Where do the words Advent and Nativity come from?

It seemed appropriate this month to go with two Christmas themed words: Advent and Nativity.

Advent comes from the Latin word “adventus” which means “arrival”, and Nativity comes from the Latin word “natus” which means “born”.



THE OLYMPUS CHALLENGE

This is a reminder about Classics for All’s “Olympus Challenge”:
Are you running an extra-curricular classics club? Would you like to recognise your students' achievements in classics?

The Olympus Challenge recognises the work of students studying Classics on an extra-curricular basis. To complete the challenge, students must choose three modules from a choice of five options. This flexibility enables groups to tailor the challenge according to their own interests.

All details, including how to sign up and submit your students’ work can be found [here](https://www.classicsforall.org.uk). If you have any questions, please email grants@classicsforall.org.uk.

Gladiators of Britain: A new British Museum touring exhibition

From January 2025, a new British Museum touring exhibition will explore the history of gladiators in Britain.

The events of the amphitheatre, with its wild beasts and enslaved fighters, are one of the most fascinating aspects of Roman culture that still capture the public imagination today. Visiting Dorchester, Northampton, Chester and Carlisle, Gladiators of Britain will bring together some of the country's most important objects to tell the story of Roman entertainment venues in Britain. Highlights will include the Colchester Vase loaned by Colchester Museums, which records an actual battle between two real gladiators, and the Hawkedon Helmet, the only confirmed piece of gladiatorial armour from Roman Britain. These iconic loans will be supported by a selection of other items that reveal the popularity of gladiators throughout Roman society.

A partnership with Colchester and Ipswich Museums, this family-friendly exhibition will explore Roman spectacle in the local region of each venue, following in the footsteps of gladiators around the UK.

A British Museum Partnership Exhibition Gladiators of Britain will be on display at Dorset Museum & Art Gallery, Dorchester (25 January – 11 May 2025); Northampton Museum & Art Gallery (24 May – 7 September 2025); Grosvenor Museum, Chester (20 September 2025 – 25 January 2026); and Tullie House Museum & Art Gallery, Carlisle (7 February – 19 April 2026).



Glass sports cup © Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service -
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NEWS, INFORMATION AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRIMARY LATIN TEACHERS

(Repeated from the previous Newsletter)

MINIMUS RESOURCES:

Minimus Supplementary Resources (i.e. the PowerPoint Presentations for every lesson of every chapter of Book 1 and 2, the audio files, etc.) have now all been uploaded onto Classics for All's Resources Hub on our website. You can access them all [here](#).

I have also created End of Chapter Attainment Checks for every chapter in Book 1 and 2 (together with answer sheets), which I hope you will find useful. These can be found with all the other resources.



MAXIMUM CLASSICS RESOURCES:

As you might already have seen, Maximum Classics have a new website and an updated Latin course. Classics for All have unlimited and free continued access to Maximum Classics 2.0 but schools will now have to access the course materials and those for the free word roots materials through our Resources Hub on the website [here](#) rather than through the Maximum Classics website.



PRIMARY LATIN LEADS ONLINE CPD:

Our next Primary Latin Leads CPD is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 12th March. I hope to see lots of you there. If you would like to present at it, or have a particular issue you would like to ask about or discuss, please get in touch (anna@classicsforall.org.uk).



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MYTHOLOGY COMPETITION FOR KEY STAGE 2



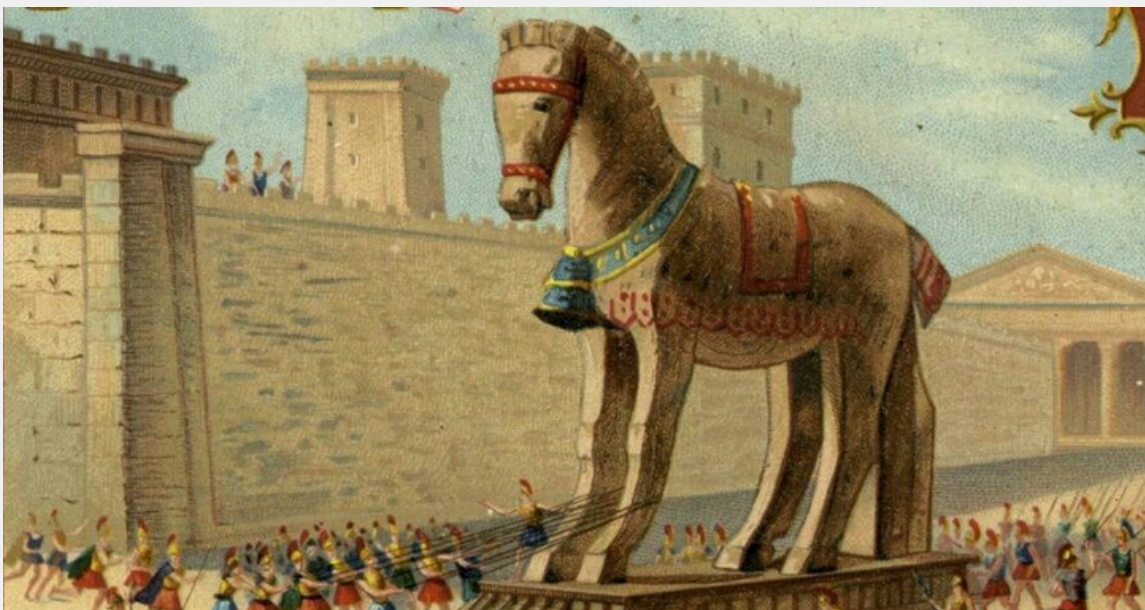
We are delighted to announce a Mythology Competition for school students, or those being home-educated, both in the UK and across the world, who are in Key Stages 2 and 3 (or equivalent) i.e. aged 7-14. This was previously the Minimus Mythology Competition run by the Primary Latin Project, and has now been brought under the aegis of the Classical Association.

Students are invited to submit a piece of Creative Writing, Art or an animation in response to all or a part of:

Key Stage 2: The Wooden Horse

Key Stage 3: Romulus and Remus

All details about the competition, and how to enter can be found [here](https://www.classicsforall.org.uk).





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