

WELCOME TO THE CLASSICS FOR ALL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER!

We hope you had a great holiday and new year, and wish you all a fantastic term ahead! Remember, if any of the children in your school have feedback about why they enjoy Classics, please share it with your local Coordinator or email us at grants@classicsforall.org.uk with your quotes.



“The introduction of Classics A level has lifted the aspirational tone of our sixth form. Students who might never have had access to the rich cultural capital of an A level in Classics, outperformed in Classics AND other subjects as a result. From our first cohort of Classicists, half of them have gone on to study Classics at University.
Classics Teacher, The Bewdley School

SECONDARY SCHOOL OF THE MONTH: THE BEWDLEY SCHOOL

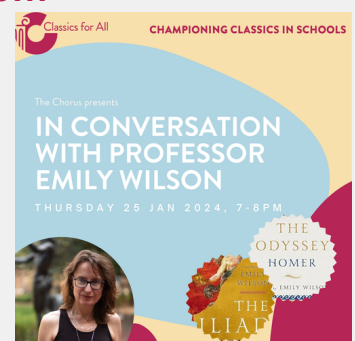
The Bewdley School in Worcestershire started their Classics teaching in 2020. They began with Classics off the curriculum at Key Stage 3, which included Year 8 Classics ‘seminars’. They also had an after-school classics group composed of selected students from Years 9, 10 & 11, where they delivered the OCR AS Classical Civilisation. This then enabled them to create the possibility of introducing Classical Civilisation at A2 the following year, which they have now done. It is fantastic to hear how well they are doing and how the subject has impacted their students and the school as a whole! Well done to Louise Savidge and Christian Bromley!

CLASSICS FOR ALL - THE CHORUS: EVENT FOR 6th FORM STUDENTS

Professor Emily Wilson in conversation with Classics for All's The Chorus

Thursday 25 January 2024, 7-8pm GMT via Zoom

The Chorus – Classics for All's network for young classicists – is pleased to announce its upcoming event with the esteemed classical translator, Professor Emily Wilson. Join us for a captivating discussion on the art of classical translation and its significance in the realm of epic literature. All details, including the sign-up link, can be found [here](#).



REMINDER: TEACHERS DAY AT HARROW SCHOOL: GCSE and A Level Ancient History Tuesday 30th January 2024

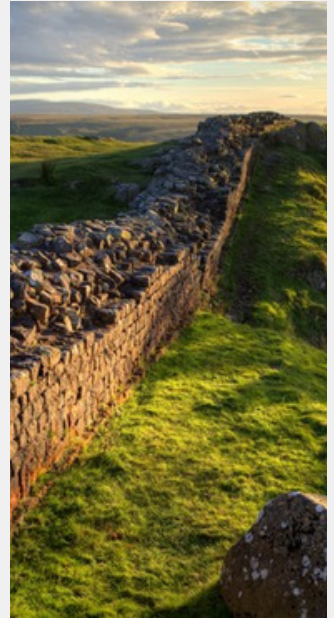
Harrow School, in conjunction with The Classical Association and Classics For All, is hosting a FREE GCSE and A-Level Ancient History Teachers Day.

The day includes a variety of GCSE and A-Level topic seminars, general plenary lectures on the specification and Ancient History in schools and the opportunities to discuss exam technique, teaching methods and approaches to the course.

The Classical Association has funds to help state school teachers wishing to attend this event on a first come, first served basis. The CA will only be able to cover travel costs (not accommodation or other expenses). Please contact Gráinne for more information: education@classicalassociation.org

They are hopeful some elements of the course will be available online as well.

All details about the day, including the sign-up form, can be found [here](#).



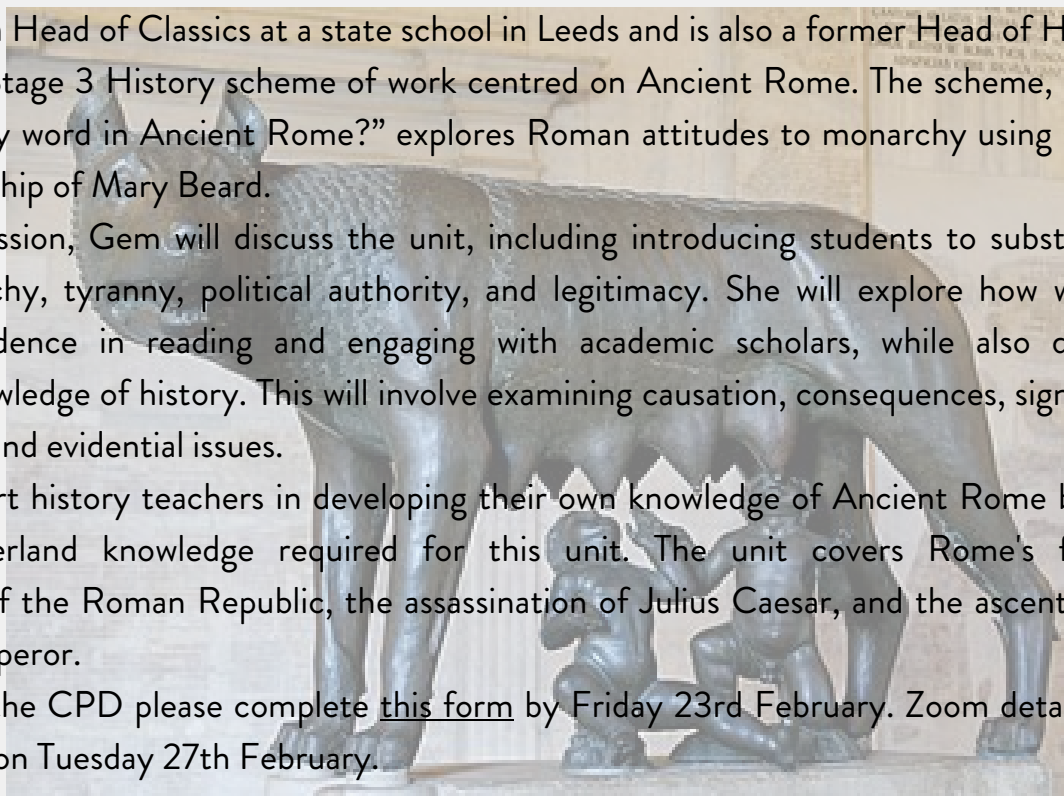
CLASSICS FOR ALL: KS 3 History CPD: 'Why was 'rex' such a dirty word in Ancient Rome?' Wednesday 28th February 2024, 4–5pm, Online

Gem Adams is a Head of Classics at a state school in Leeds and is also a former Head of History. Gem has created a Key Stage 3 History scheme of work centred on Ancient Rome. The scheme, titled "Why was 'rex' such a dirty word in Ancient Rome?" explores Roman attitudes to monarchy using source evidence and the scholarship of Mary Beard.

In this CPD session, Gem will discuss the unit, including introducing students to substantive concepts such as monarchy, tyranny, political authority, and legitimacy. She will explore how we can enhance students' confidence in reading and engaging with academic scholars, while also developing their disciplinary knowledge of history. This will involve examining causation, consequences, significance, source interpretation, and evidential issues.

Gem will support history teachers in developing their own knowledge of Ancient Rome by exploring the core and hinterland knowledge required for this unit. The unit covers Rome's foundation, the establishment of the Roman Republic, the assassination of Julius Caesar, and the ascent of Augustus as Rome's first emperor.

To register for the CPD please complete [this form](#) by Friday 23rd February. Zoom details for the event will be sent out on Tuesday 27th February.



CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY ICE BURSARIES FOR TEACHERS

Classics for All is delighted to be partnering with the University of Cambridge Institute of Continuing Education again this year to offer four full bursaries worth £3000 each to state school teachers and other educational professionals wishing to enrol on the Undergraduate Certificate in Classical Studies course for 2024-25.

This is a one year, part-time online course which requires no prior knowledge of ancient languages, literature or history. If you're interested in developing your own knowledge of the ancient world, do consider applying! Further details about the course structure and how to apply can be found on the flyer (links below).

The bursary scheme is particularly intended for applicants working in deprived / disadvantaged settings. Applicants for the bursaries are likely to work in a state-funded setting such as a state school, public library, National Health Service or HM Prisons Service and will have a clear commitment to developing curricula and teaching topics pertaining to classical studies.

Information about the course can be found [here](#), and information about the bursary can be found [here](#). The application deadline is 13th May and the course will begin in October 2024.



CONTACT US: If you want to access Classics for All's support to introduce or develop the teaching of classics in your school, please email grants@classicsforall.org.uk.

FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE BRITISH MUSEUM**LEGION: TEACHERS' PRIVATE VIEW**

FREE, booking essential, All details can be found [here](#).

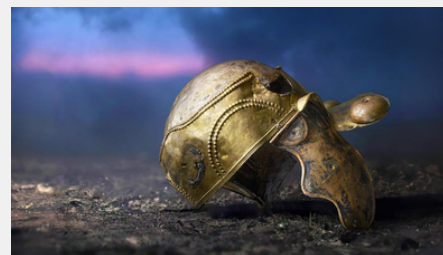
Thursday 29th Feb 2024

17.00 – 17.45 Legion: Life in the Roman Army presentation with Richard Abdy, Legion exhibition curator. Clore Education Centre, BP lecture theatre.

18.00 – 20.00 Exhibition private view including drop-in workshops and talks in the Legion exhibition and exhibition foyer

Join the School and Young Audiences Team for an early evening private view for teachers of the Legion exhibition. Find out about resources available to support a visit with students, chat to members of the Schools' Team, join a curator talk and develop your personal understanding of this period of history. Free refreshments available on the evening and the Legion exhibition bookshop will be offering a discount. Suitable for primary and secondary school teachers. Trainee teachers are most welcome.

Booking Information: Phone: +44 (0)20 7323 8181

**THE ROMAN WORLD: A LEVEL STUDY DAY FOR SCHOOLS**

FREE, All details can be found [here](#).

Friday 8th March 2024

Join British Museum staff and expert guest speakers at this study day for students aged 16+ which will support those studying A-level Classical Civilisation and Ancient History. Year 11 pupils who are interested in extending their knowledge and considering studying the relevant subjects at A-level are also welcome.

Programme:

10.00–10.30: Registration in The Clore Centre for Education foyer

10.00–12.00: Opportunity to visit the Legion: life in the Roman army exhibition

12.00–12.30: Lunch slot reserved in the Ford Centre for Young Visitors

12.30–15.00: Presentations in the BP Lecture Theatre. Each presentation will last around 45 minutes.

- Legion: life in the Roman army, with Richard Abdy, Legion exhibition curator
- Roman Britain: life in an imperial province, with Dr Katharine Hoare, from the British Museum's School and Young Audiences team
- Entertainment and Exploitation: Roman Culture in the Amphitheatre, with Dr Virginia L Campbell, Associate Lecturer at The Open University

This event is for UK schools only.

To attend this free event call the Box Office on +44 (0)20 7323 8181.

Students must be accompanied by a member of school staff.

NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION

QUALIFICATIONS REVIEW SURVEY FOR TEACHERS:

You can find more information about the CA's Qualifications Review [on our website](#). Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete this survey. We would like to hear from as many practitioners as possible, so please circulate this to your colleagues.

This survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. You can preview the questions [here](#). If you have any questions, or matters you would like to discuss further, please contact us: education@classicalassociation.org. The survey can be found [here](#).



CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, 22nd - 24th March 2024

The Classical Association Conference is happening 22-24 March at Warwick University. An explanation, along with a programme highlighting events with greatest relevance to teachers, can be found [here](#).

CHAIR OF THE CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION TEACHING BOARD: EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Classical Association (CA) is an educational charity, founded in 1903, dedicated to making classical subjects widely accessible. We seek to engage everyone who has an interest in the ancient world and our members include amateur archaeologists, career classicists, students starting out, trainee teachers and anyone who wants to learn about the ancient past. We are seeking to appoint a new Chair of The Classical Association Teaching Board to oversee the CA's education-related activities and priorities. This is an unremunerated role that provides the opportunity for an established member of the Classics community with a keen interest in Classics education in schools and colleges to shape the future of the discipline by working with colleagues towards a sustainable future for the teaching and learning of Classics. The role involves a significant commitment of time and energy; and knowledge of and/or interest in Classics education in schools and colleges. You will have a strong commitment to EDI, and we are particularly keen to attract applicants from backgrounds traditionally under-represented in Classics. You will require excellent communication, team-working and relationship-building skills, in addition to creativity and strategic thinking. The post-holder will usually be wholly or mainly UK based. We are open to considering expressions of interest from individuals who might be interested in the role on a job-share basis. If you would like to know more, please email office@classicalassociation.org for a full role description. We will ask for completed applications by Friday 16 February.