



10 March 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian

Launch of Latin Club

I am delighted to announce the launch of our Latin club, which will be taking place for an hour after school on a Monday (See dates below). The club is open to students in years 7,8 & 9 but there are limited spaces available.

Why learn Latin? Over fifty percent of English words have Latin roots and that number increases as we look at the languages of science and technology. Latin is alive in subjects ranging from maths, modern languages, law, medicine and history.

Latin is not currently taught in many state schools and so this is a fantastic opportunity. I have been supported in setting up the club through grants for training and for books by the charity Classics for All (CfA), which aims to increase access to classical subjects in state schools. CfA have, over the past ten years, have great success across the country and there is evidence of improved literacy and increased aspiration for students taking Latin.

How do we learn Latin? Unlike the learning of French at school, Latin involves learning about Roman life and culture, as well as the grammar and vocabulary. All of this is done by following the story of a real Roman family who were discovered in the ruins of Pompei. Students find this fascinating and an enjoyable way to learn.

Although it is a club, we will be following a strict scheme of work and aiming towards attainment tests so that students have certification of their achievement. It will, therefore, be important that your child attends all lessons and spends an hour per week on private study.

We will begin on 21st March. Due to Whole staff meetings there are occasional weeks where it will not run. Please see the list of dates below.

	Latin club 3.15-4.15	Latin club NOT running due to whole staff meetings
Monday	21 March 2022	
Monday	28 March 2022	
Monday		4 April 2022
Monday	25 April 2022	
Monday	9 May 2022	
Monday	18 May 2022	
Monday	23 May 2022	
Monday	8 June 2022	
Monday	13 June 2022	
Monday		20 June 2022
Monday	27 June 2022	
Monday	4 July 2022	
Monday		11 July

If your child is interested in attending Latin club on all the scheduled Mondays from 3.15 – 4.15pm and if they will have the time to commit to an hour of private study per week, please complete the form [here](#). Unfortunately, I cannot guarantee a place for all students this year but I hope to increase the number of spaces next year.

I look forward to hearing from you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ms Green', written in a cursive style.

Ms Green
MFL Teacher