



Archbishop Tenison's

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL



DEPARTMENT NAME: LATIN CURRICULUM

- *All pupils study Latin in Years 7 and 8 at Tenison's. The study of Latin is incredibly beneficial for pupils; students develop their analytical skills through the precision required in translation of texts and deepen their understanding of the English language. Pupils study the culture, history and literature of the classical world in Latin lessons, enriching their understanding of the origins of western civilisation.*
- *We begin our Latin lessons in Year 7 with a focus on English grammar for a term in order to consolidate pupils' understanding of this important topic. We then use the Cambridge Latin Course, which gradually introduces pupils to more complex vocabulary, grammar and texts through the stories of a Roman family living in Pompeii. We devote some of our lessons to learning about the classical world.*
- *Students have the option of continuing with Latin in Year 9 and at GCSE. We offer Classical Civilisation as an AS Level in Year 12.*



WHAT'S GREAT ABOUT LATIN AT TENISON'S

- *Latin is a popular subject at Tenison's. The majority of pupils opt to continue with Latin in Year 9 when they have to choose two languages to study. We now teach Latin at GCSE level and students achieve good results.*
- *We use a variety of methods in lessons to engage students. We regularly use quizzes and challenges to encourage pupils in learning vocabulary and grammar.*
- *There are great opportunities for creative projects in our study of the history of the classical world, for example making ancient theatre masks, tourist guides to the ancient city of Pompeii and reconstructing famous Roman architecture.*



OPPORTUNITIES AND SUCCESSSES

- *We want to engage students' interest in the Greek and Roman world beyond the classroom.*
- *We regularly offer extra-curricular opportunities for students to extend their knowledge and understanding. For example we ran a mythology challenge for Year 7 last year, in which students recreated their favourite myth in a creative way. This resulted in many excellent entries, including Lego-based animation, fantastic artwork and even Daedalus and Icarus shaped biscuits!*
- *In Year 9 we run a trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace, one of the best preserved Roman sites in the UK. Students take part in a number of workshops, learning about Roman dress, building, mosaics and daily life. This complements their study of Roman Britain in Year 9 Latin lessons.*