

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 19th April 2024 | Issue 24

Dear families

We are delighted to welcome our students back for Term 5. This is the start of our summer term and so is a time for us to think about our next steps. Therefore, our theme for this term is being attentive to the future. For our Y11s and Y13s, this is a tangible end with exams starting in just a couple of weeks. The Gospel this week was the Road to Emmaus. It is a story of hope, trust and faith. When times are difficult or we are trying to make sense of things that seem impossible to understand, our faith in God can guide us.

This week hope and trust have been the theme of our assemblies. Looking for where we trust others and have hope. Specifically, this term, we want students to think about why school is brilliant – it's amazing that all of these people come together to support the young people in our community to learn. We want students to talk about what they enjoy about that and where they can see the trust and hope we have in them. I am looking forward to it!

As an example, we have had a group of girls go to RAF Benson this week. This was a trip to '*See What you Can Be*'. This was to inspire young women and there was a diverse group to learn from including the military, reservists, veteran and civilian women who shared their inspirational experiences and careers with students.

Term 5 is brilliant: as someone who has completed many long-distance challenges – swimming, cycling and running – I enjoy getting to the goal. For Y11 and Y13, a large part of the goal of their education is about to happen. I cannot help but be excited by this – fired up and ready to go! And this is how we are starting Term 5: Fired up. Ready to go!

With best wishes

Lyndsey Caldwell
Headteacher

WHAT IS GOD'S MESSAGE FOR ME THIS WEEK?

Gospel: Luke 24 : 35 – 48



³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognised by them when he broke the bread. **Jesus Appears to the Disciples** ³⁶ While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷ They were startled and

frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have." ⁴⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹ And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate it in their presence. ⁴⁴ He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.

Reflection

"Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? These are the very common and popular questions asked by God in the gospel. But because many are accustomed to the idea of "to see is to believe", several people are fallen. Many won't believe unless we see it in our eyes. In this gospel, God once again showed himself and reminded us that as it is written He will come back as a resurrected Lord. Troubled hearts must not stay in each of us. God assures us that our sins have been forgiven through His crucifixion. Thus, we should be at peace, commit ourselves to trust the Lord and rejoice and be glad of his resurrection.

Lord, you are always working even though we might not see it, in difficult times of suffering and pain, walking next to us. You are the light in the darkest of times; the hope when all is lost and the strength when we fall. Help us to trust in your plan and see your treasures in those around us.

Amen.



To view the St Edmund and St Fireside (Greyfriars) parish website please click on the following link:
<https://www.greyfriarsoxford.uk/>

GENERAL NOTICES

Message for Year 8 and Year 9 | Mrs Reddy

Welcome back Y8 and Y9! As we settle in, let's aim to improve attendance by emphasising its importance in academic success. Students need to be present and engaging in the learning in order to help them reach their full potential.

A huge thank you to parents for supporting our school policies on uniform, attendance and equipment. Together, let's ensure a smooth start to the term and strive for excellence in every aspect of our school community.

Save the date!

The focus is on our Y9s this term who are busy choosing their options. Our parent consultation evening is on **2nd May 2024** from **4pm - 7pm** in **our main hall**. This is an important event in your child's life and we are looking forward to seeing all parents/carers and Y9 students attend.

Celebrations

Congratulations to the tutor group with the most achievement points this week

8JOD 216 points

9SC 278 points

Congratulations to all students with 100% attendance

Thank you to the tutors for their ongoing support.

Keep on striving to be a better version of yourself Y8 and Y9!

Message for Year 10 and Year 11 | Mr Strachan

It's wonderful to welcome back the KS4 students after what I trust was a fantastic half term break. I've noticed the students seem rejuvenated and eager to do well in their studies.

My best wishes go out to all our students, with a special focus on the Year 11s as they gear up for their summer exams, the first of which are a mere three weeks away.



To the rest of KS4, let's embrace the opportunity to uncover new academic horizons this term.

Message for Year 7 | Mr Weedon

Great to see all of our Year 7s back this week, looking revitalised for the new term. I enjoyed listening to the stories of their adventures during the Easter holiday!

Already in the first week I am receiving lots of positive messages from staff about how our Year 7s are starting the term and I hope to hear more throughout the coming weeks.

Well done Year 7 and keep up the good work!

GENERAL NOTICES

RAF Benson 'See What You Can Be' Trip | Mr Dunne

On Wednesday 17th April, eleven Year 8 girls went on a "See What You Can Be" Careers trip to RAF Benson where they spent the day talking to a number of different professionals from a variety of backgrounds about the different types of careers they can go into. These included: police (Thames Valley and RAF), pilots (TUI and RAF), firefighters, Thames Valley Air Ambulance, explorers, Paralympians, mountain climbers, tech, army, PTI's (Personal Training Instructors).

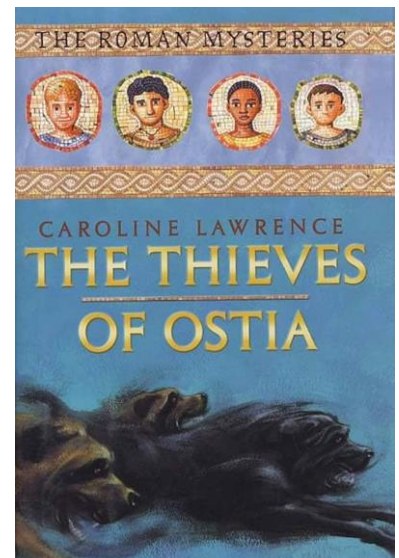
The students were also lucky to be spoken to by guest speaker Lara Vafiadis, who rowed across the Atlantic Ocean from the Canary Islands to the Caribbean in 100 days!

They all had an amazing day and Ana Paula may have been inspired to join the police force!



Library Book of the Week | Miss Hall

'The Thieves of Ostia' is a captivating tale by Caroline Lawrence that effortlessly blends history and engaging storytelling. This first book in the Roman Mysteries series introduces us to four young detectives in the heart of Ancient Rome with a big mystery to solve. The characters are well-rounded and likable, each with unique backgrounds that add depth to the story. Their friendship and teamwork is central to the narrative, creating a warm and inviting atmosphere in a world so different from our own. Lawrence's vivid description of Ostia, Rome's port city, immerses the reader in a time and place full of intrigue and mystery. She masterfully captures the essence of Roman life in her storytelling, making ancient history accessible and enjoyable for all audiences. The story is both a thrilling mystery and a wonderful introduction to historical fiction; it's a delightful start to a series that promises even more adventures in Ancient Rome.



GENERAL NOTICES

6th Form | Mr Shaw

Congratulations to our excelling Sixth formers - Up learn 100Hrs+
Blake, John, Charley and Matthew have spent in excess of 100 hours each and even up to 180 hours, studying for their A Levels on the online platform Up learn. Up Learn is a smart learning platform for independent study that helps schools get better results; students using the platform achieve A/A*s at twice the national rate.



Careers News | Miss Manns

Careers Information and Events

For lots of useful information regarding careers, please click: [OxLep Picks of the Week](#)

Year 10 Mock Interviews

To help out Year 10 students prepare for their work experience placements in June, we are offering them a face to face, skill-based mock interview on the 25th April 2024. The main focus of these interviews is to give students courage to speak with new people and the confidence to talk about themselves. Students wanting to start their preparation can see the post from Miss Manns on their Y10 Google Classroom for guidance or pop in and see her in HU1.

It's great to see such enthusiasm, not just these top students but across the whole sixth form. Their ability to embrace new tech and aid their studies to give them the best chance at gaining A grades. Well done for such a great effort and may long it continue!

Can you help?

We are in search of **work experience** placements for our **Year 10 (25-28 June)** and **Year 12 (15-19 July)** students. We would be delighted if you/your employer would be willing to offer a placement for any amount of days during the weeks noted. If you would like more information or could offer a placement, please get in touch by emailing: workexperience@gfcs.uk

Knitting | Mrs Swanton

Well done to Aoife who is still enjoying knitting and made this lovely clown fish at home. Aoife has also started knitting in the group in school.



Also, well done to Sinthia for finishing her first knitted bookmark. We are looking forward to her next knit. Keep up the good work!



GENERAL NOTICES

Sparx Update | Mr Secker

There was some fantastic work done on Sparx over Easter. A special mention goes to Year 11 students who are working hard in preparation for their exams.

There are more XP points to be earned – let's make it an aim to level up this half term!



Sparx Maths **WEEK 27**

Sparx Superstar tutor groups this week

Form	XP Week Average
11MJ	792
10WK	524
9SC	675
8JOD	876
7AS	654

Leading Year Group

Year Group	XP Average
8	511
7	496

Sparx XP Champions this week.

Name	Year	XP POINTS
Zartusha A	11	18,435
Sneha F	11	4,949
Ahmed M	10	3,240
Stephanie D	10	2,409
Mark B	9	4,571
Sofia B	9	12,188
Ana Paula C	8	10,818
Mahbod S	8	7,552
Sahas U	7	5,229
Da Vinci T	7	4,860

Total XP Points Earned

540,809

Sparx XP Champions All Time 19/04/24

Name	Year	Total XP
Mahbod S	8	247,435
Ana Paula C R	8	185,007
Isabelle H	8	153,253
Jack C	8	151,421
Klea L	8	141,377
Mark B	9	121,740
Hajira R	10	119,855
Kryspin B	9	102,228
Peace O	11	100,892
Da Vinci T	7	100,638



Keep up the great work!

GENERAL NOTICES

Vacancies | Exam Invigilators x 3 - £12.80 per hour

Greyfriars is looking for three casual Invigilator's to work with our exam's team to help the smooth running of exams at our school.

Responsibilities will include the correct conduct of external examinations in accordance with JCQ regulations and procedures issued by the Examinations Manager.

An ideal candidate will:

- ✓ be reliable, flexible and readily available during main exam periods
- ✓ have effective communication skills and good interpersonal skills
- ✓ work well as part of a team
- ✓ be confident and a reassuring presence to candidates in exam rooms
- ✓ be able to give instructions and manage situations involving different groups of people
- ✓ have basic IT skills (familiar with use of email, mobile phone messaging etc.)

Main duties

- To conduct examinations in accordance with the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ), awarding body and Greyfriars Catholic School regulations and instructions
- To have a key role in upholding the integrity and security of the examination/assessment process

Application Details

We hope you are interested in this exciting opportunity and would like to submit an application. To apply for the post of Invigilator, please contact the School Business Manager, Sophie Upellini Email: s.upellini@gfcs.uk or Tel: 01865 749933

Greyfriars Catholic School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant for any position will be required to undertake an enhanced disclosure via the DBS (disclosure and barring system) and appropriate Right to Work clearances and our recruitment and selection practice

The Pope Francis Catholic Multi Academy Company (PFMAC) is a family of Catholic schools in Oxfordshire, who work together to promote the teaching of Christ and the Catholic faith.

GENERAL NOTICES

5 Ways to Well-being | Click on the logo to find out more.



TALK & LISTEN,
BE THERE,
FEEL CONNECTED



DO WHAT YOU CAN,
ENJOY WHAT YOU DO,
MOVE YOUR MOOD



REMEMBER
THE SIMPLE
THINGS THAT
GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW
EXPERIENCES,
SEE OPPORTUNITIES,
SURPRISE YOURSELF



Your time,
your words,
your presence

Building small actions into your daily life can make you feel good, and feeling good is an important part of being healthy. There are 5 ways to wellbeing that are proven to make a real difference to you.

BASKETBALL CLUB

GREYFRIARS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Tuesday
GIRLS 3:30 PM

Thursday
BOYS 3:30 PM

@Greyfriars Catholic School
SPORT HALL

Registration: Mr. Florin Roman, Email: f.roman@gfcs.uk

Logos at the bottom: NBA Jr., British Basketball Federation, and Basketball England.

WELCOME TO THE
LIBRARY

OPENING TIMES:
8AM-4PM MONDAY - THURSDAY
8AM-3:30PM FRIDAY

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS:
MONDAY - CREATIVE WRITING CLUB
TUESDAY - BOARD GAME CLUB
WEDNESDAY - FILM CLUB
THURSDAY - ASHMOLEAN CLUB

GENERAL NOTICES

Dates for your Diary

23 April | Y9 TDP/MenACWY Immunisations

25 April | Year 10 Mock Interviews

26 April | Oxford Powerhouse Games Trip

30 April | Girls in STEM Trip

2 May | Year 9 Careers in Focus Trip

2 May | Year 9 Parent Consultation Evening

6 May | BANK HOLIDAY

7 May | Year 9 Healthy Relationships Day



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is open
Mon – Fri 8.00am - 8.30am
in our restaurant.



Everyone is welcome to come and join us for breakfast club.
Breakfast is free. Start your day with friends and food!

SIMS Parent App – Download Now!

If you haven't already done so, please download our Parent App. This app enables you to view information regarding your child at school including their timetable, achievements, reports and messages from school. You should have received an invitation email that you must accept and this will then take you to a sign-in screen. You can then use your normal Facebook, Twitter, Google or Microsoft username and password to register.

Vacancies

If you are interested in joining the team at Greyfriars Catholic School, please email our School Business Manager, Sophie Upellini via: s.upellini@gfcs.uk or visit:

<https://www.greyfriarsoxford.org.uk/join-us/vacancies> to view all our current vacancies.



LOCAL EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Parent Support Group New!

A peer support group for parents of teens that have additional needs and/or mental health concerns.

This is a parent-focussed group, facilitated by a professionally accredited therapist (UKCP/MBACP), providing a safe and supportive space to share and talk through the challenges you may be facing with your teen.



When? Tuesdays 6-7.30pm
Starting Spring 2024

Where? St Mary's Church Hall,
Church Street,
Kidlington OX5 2AZ

Cost? Free!

Empowering parents through shared experience and professional support

If this sounds like the group for you, please get in touch with Felicity on 07821 542182
Alternatively email felicityscroggie@gmail.com and leave your name and number for a call back



SEN COFFEE MORNINGS!

Oxford Hub



PAP (Parents and Professionals)
Fortnightly Coffee Mornings, mainly aimed at PARENTS of children with SEN (diagnosed/undiagnosed) to get together for a FREE talk presented by a guest speaker. Its a time to relax, refresh, chat, spill the beans, share opinions & experiences, support each other, have a laugh or shed a tear, all over a cup of coffee.

Coffee Mornings are every other Thursday, 9.30-11am

Next session are: 21st March 18th April and 2nd May

Location: The Jungle, Templars Square Shopping Centre

JUNGLE

PARENT AND PROFESSIONALS COFFEE MORNING
CONTACT KYLIE FOR MORE INFORMATION:
KYLIE@OXFORDHUB.ORG

PARENT POWER

Need help or support?



EVERY THURSDAY



09:00 AM - 11:00 AM



Greyfriars Secondary School,
Cricket Road, Oxford, OX4 3DR



Learn English Skills



Meet other families to build parent power

Please come to main reception or contact

Kylie@oxfordhub.org
07707918532

Oxford Hub

Windale Spring Activities

Oxford Hub

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>English Class - (Intermediate) Open Access 10.30 - 12</p> <p>The BAME Talking Cafe 12.30 - 3.30</p>	<p>Stay and play Coffee Morning 9.30-12.30</p> <p>Multaka Club, practice English 2-3.30</p>	<p>Parent Support (Drop in session) 9-11</p> <p>English Class (Beginner) Open Access 10-11</p> <p>Mummy Fitness with stay and play (Bee Empowered) 3.30-4.30</p>	<p>Puzzles and Games (All welcome) 10-11</p> <p>Food Bank (Syrcox) 11-1</p> <p>Community BINGO (1-3)</p> <p>Infant Feeding Session- Oxfordshire Breastfeeding Support - All welcome 12-2</p> <p>Family Healthy Lifestyle & children's physical activity Gloji Energy 4-5</p>	

All Activities are FREE and drop in: Call 01865745260 for more info.

LOCAL EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Next steps to work or training

We can support with

- Providing you with a laptop and data
- Paying for travel to work or training
- Looking for work or training
- Applications and interviews

Get trained on how to use a laptop or mobile phone to help you

- Find and apply for courses
- Write your CV
- Apply for jobs

Ria 07498 351055
ria@sofea.uk.com
or
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PARENT WEBINAR

Parents are the most important part of young peoples lives and hold the key to helping them. Let us, help you, to help them.

CAMHS
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS SESSIONS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

SUBJECTS INCLUDE

- TEEN ANXIETY
- SELF HARM
- LOW MOOD
- HOW TO TALK TO YOUR DISTRESSED CHILD

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LIVING WELL with NEURODIVERSITY

A new support service from Oxfordshire CAMHS in collaboration with Autism Oxford UK Limited

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Is your young person either suspected or diagnosed as neurodiverse (autism/ADHD)?

FREE COURSES AND SUPPORT FOR YOU!

A range of sessions available covering different topics.
Informal spaces for Parents / Carers to safely share experiences / tips.
Facilitated by professionals and lived experience practitioners.

Scan the QR code to access the events and resources!
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If you have any questions, please email us on youngpeoplesupport@autismoxford.org.uk

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COMMUNITY SPORT PROJECT

BASKETBALL FOR ALL

BASKETBALL

FREE SESSIONS

BOYS OXFORD GIRLS

AGED 14-17

13TH JANUARY 2024
12:00 - 14:00

REGISTRATION

WE BELONG TO OUR COMMUNITY

VENUE:
GREYFRIARS CATHOLIC SCHOOL
OX4 3DR

WHATSAPP 07538173030
oxfordeliteacademy@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY SPORT PROJECT

COMMUNITY FUND

BASKETBALL

GIRLS OXFORD & CARTERTON BOYS

AGED 9-11 / 12-14

13TH JANUARY 2024

WE BELONG TO OUR COMMUNITY

Domino's Access Sport

Active Oxfordshire YOU MOVE

REGISTRATION

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LOCAL EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES



Low cost and free activities for families to enjoy together!

You Move is brand new for Oxfordshire, providing low cost and free fun activities for families including weekends and school holidays



It's quick and easy to sign up for You Move:

- 1) visit www.getoxfordshireactive.org/you-move to register or call your local activator for more information (info below)
- 2) we'll send you a You Move welcome pack and membership cards
- 3) your local Activators will be on hand to provide lots of support and advice

Enjoy a fantastic range of activities including swimming, badminton, activity packs, children's holiday activities and so much more!

Oxford City Activators
Ben - 07483 010720
Gerti - 07485 311346



RECRUITING FOR 2024

ADULTS | YOUTH | ALL ABILITIES
WOLVERCOTE CC
FREE GIRLS WINTER AND SUMMER CRICKET

FREE GIRLS CRICKET

WINTER SESSIONS AT GREYFRIARS SCHOOL | SUMMER AT CUTTESLOWE

FOR ALL ENQUIRIES PLEASE CONTACT
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*You must be in Year 8 (England & Wales), S2 (Scotland) or Year 9 (Northern Ireland)

2210 (Cowley) Sqn
Sandy Lane West, OX4 6LD
www.aircadets.tv/2210 Come join us on 25th of April at 8 pm! RSVP: <https://forms.office.com/e/4GWKdbHA61>

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Youth Clubs

FREE EXCITING AND EMPOWERING SESSIONS to connect and meet others aged 11 to 19 years. Come chill, have fun and enjoy activities, trips, games, cooking, gaming, arts & craft, music and so much more during school term times!

KEEN Teens Session
(Inclusive social activities for those with disabilities and special needs, run in partnership with KEEN)
Monday 6pm-7.30pm (11-18yrs)
St Clements Family Centre

Girls' Youth Club
(run in partnership with EMBS Community College)
Wednesday 5pm-7pm
EMBS Community College, Templars Square

Northway Youth Club
Tuesday 5pm-7pm
Northway Tower Playbase

Littlemore Youth Club
Thursday 4pm-6pm
Littlemore Community Centre

Rose Hill Boys Youth Club
(run by Rose Hill JYC)
Wednesday 5.30pm-7pm
Rose Hill Community Centre

Rose Hill Girls Youth Club
(run by Rose Hill JYC)
Thursday 5.30pm-7pm
Rose Hill Community Centre

Wood Farm Youth Club
Wednesday 5.30pm-7.30pm
Wood Farm Youth Centre

Barton Youth Club
(run by Barton Community Association)
Thursday 6pm-8pm (12-16yrs)
Barton Neighbourhood Centre

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MultiSports

FREE Join our FUN PACKED multi-sport sessions for 11 to 19 year olds. Enjoy games, develop skills and gain confidence while making great friends!

Football Session
Tuesday 6pm-8pm
Oxford City Community Arena, Marston

Boxing Session
Friday 4pm-5pm
OMMA, Templars Square

DBL Friday Multi-Sport Session
Friday 6pm-7.30pm (11-14yrs)
7.30pm-9pm (15-19yrs)
Leys Pools and Leisure Centre

Aspiration
CAREER & EMPLOYMENT advice and support for 16 to 24 year olds at Rose Hill Community Centre

CV Skills & Support
Tuesday 10am-12pm

Job Club
Tuesday 1pm-3pm

Employment Drop-in
Wednesday 10am-4pm

Post Employability Training (PEP 1/PEP 2)
Thursday 10am-12.30pm

Well Being Courses (Healthy Body, Healthy Mind)
Thursday 1pm-3pm

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LOCAL EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

OxLAT Latin Teaching Scheme 2024—2026

The Faculty of Classics is again able to offer its Latin teaching scheme, OxLAT and is inviting our students to apply.

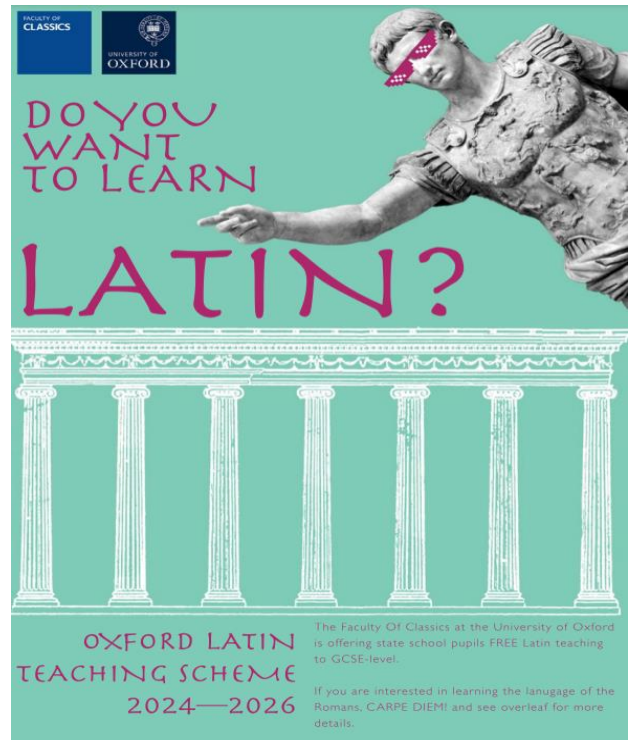
The OxLAT Scheme students in Years 8, 9 and 10 (13—15 year olds who will be going into Years 9, 10 and 11 in September 2024) who are interested in studying for a GCSE in Latin. The Scheme offers eligible students free tuition in Latin language and literature from scratch through to GCSE examination.

Weekly two-hour lessons take place every Saturday morning during school term-time at the Faculty of Classics (66 St Giles, Oxford) and are taught by two professional Latin instructors: they will start in June 2024 and continue for two years until the summer of 2026 when students will sit their Latin GCSE exams.

The academic programme of the scheme replicates the teaching students would experience if they were taking the subject as a GCSE option at school (albeit in a reduced timetable and with greater focus on independent learning): students will be expected to consolidate their classroom learning with appropriate study-time at home each week, aided by the Scheme's VLE system. Homework will be roughly the same as one would expect for any GCSE subject.

If you are interested full details and application forms are available at:

<https://clasoutreach.web.ox.ac.uk/oxlat>



DO YOU WANT TO LEARN LATIN?

OXFORD LATIN TEACHING SCHEME 2024—2026

The Faculty Of Classics at the University of Oxford is offering state school pupils FREE Latin teaching to GCSE-level.

If you are interested in learning the language of the Romans, CARPE DIEM! and see overleaf for more details.

The OxLAT Scheme is for enthusiastic and committed students in Years 8, 9 and 10 (who will be going into Years 9, 10 and 11 in September 2024) who are interested in studying for a GCSE in Latin but attend state schools where there is no Latin provision. The Scheme offers eligible students free tuition in Latin language and literature from scratch through to GCSE examination.

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WHEN: June 2024 – May 2026. Lessons will take place every Saturday (10.30–13.00) during Oxfordshire schools' term dates.

STRUCTURE: 2 years of intensive language and literature study in small groups. Students will be entered to sit a Latin GCSE at their school in May 2026.

COSTS: None. The Scheme is offered for free as part of the Faculty of Classics' Outreach Programme.

ELIGIBILITY: Only current Year 8, 9 and 10 students at state schools that do not currently have any Latin provision (which includes lunch-time/after-school Latin clubs) are eligible. There is no strict catchment area for this scheme: if you live in Oxfordshire or the surrounding regions (and meet the other eligibility requirement above), you are eligible.



HOW TO APPLY

Full details and application forms are available at WWW.CLASSICS.OX.AC.UK/OUTREACH

Application Deadline: Friday 26th April 2024

If you have any questions or queries please contact the OxLAT team via email: OXLAT@CLASSICS.OX.AC.UK

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