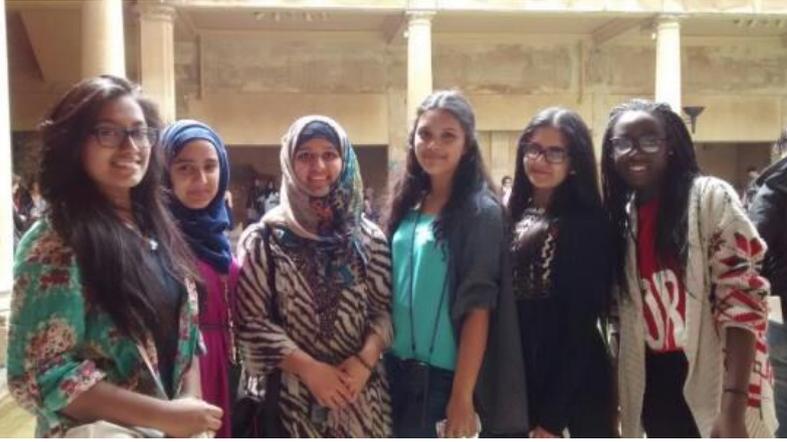


Latin Visit to Bath



On Tuesday 8th July, Year 10 Latin students visited the historic city of Bath.

Having heard so much about Bath in Latin lessons and outside of school, we were eager to see the city for ourselves. Although we had high expectations, we were not disappointed.

We arrived at school at 6:45 in the morning prepared for the long journey ahead. After the battle for the back seats on the coach we left school. Towards the end of a 3 hour journey, as we approached the city, beautiful buildings began to appear on the skyline amongst the tiny cottages and farms, which we weren't used to seeing in London.

The Roman city, which had been mentioned so many times in our Cambridge Latin Course textbooks, definitely lived up to its description. Bath Abbey towered above the other buildings and was the first one we saw when we left the coach.



The Roman Baths, however, were the most memorable part of the journey for us.

In the Roman Baths, we were all given audio tour devices so that we could hear information as we explored the Baths. This made the experience informative as well as being enjoyable. The displays shown in Bath really helped us gain a better understanding of Bath and how people lived in the era which we learn about in our lessons.

The Baths were very busy as many tourists came and visited the town in order to capture the breath taking views that



surround the town. Of course, even outside the baths themselves, we were reminded of the lifestyle that people led, as tourists were being transported by a horse and carriage along with the iconic building style that was accommodated at the time the baths were built.

As well as seeing different artefacts from the past, like Gorgon's head which watched all who entered the temple, we had the opportunity to try some unusual tasting spa water. It contains 42 different minerals. Despite the healing powers, many of us were not too fond of the taste.

Overall, the visit was a great way for us to visualise what we learn about Roman culture in an enjoyable way and everyone had a great time.

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