

Karl Marx Walk



On 11th January the Year 13 Politics class and Mr Jenkins walked in the footsteps of the German political philosopher, and founder of communism, Karl Marx. A Level Politics students study Marxism as part of their political ideology unit. Having a chance to see where Marx lived and worked, held meetings and agitated for revolution, really helps to bring the subject alive. The 3- hour walking tour is led by a guide, who explains the historical context of the time, as well as Marx's main ideas. Luckily the girls already have a good idea of what is meant by Dialectical Materialism and Surplus Value, so that probably helps!



The walk took place just before Marx's grave in Highgate Cemetery was vandalised, but our tour guide, Heiko, informed us that in recent months he has been receiving increasing personal abuse from passers-by when conducting the tours – a sad indictment of our times. Luckily it all went smoothly for us on the day and the girls found it an interesting and enjoyable experience.

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