

Year 10 Classics trip to The British Museum

On the 1st of July we visited the British Museum to expand our knowledge of ancient Greece and Rome in preparation for our GCSE's. We took a tube to Holborn and were lucky enough to walk through a pleasant and sunny London to reach the British museum.



Upon arrival we were split into groups and then taken on a guided tour by our teacher Mr McClelland. During this tour we visited numerous artefacts dating from Ancient Greece in the 5th century and the time of the Roman Empire. These included extensive depictions of famous myths such as the disturbing tale of Achilles and Penthesilea, but also artwork that revealed the conditions in the ancient world for women. We were also fortunate to be able to see the friezes from the Parthenon in Athens, which illustrated scenes from the Great Panathenaic procession, held in honour of Athena, the patron goddess of Athens. Moreover, we were given the chance to present talks about certain artefacts, which we ourselves were interested in, thus providing us with an opportunity to further our own knowledge. Afterwards, we explored the British museum in our groups, taking many pictures of everything from statues to *kraters* and friezes. This allowed us to gain valuable insight into many classical sources, some of which we could apply to our essays. Overall it was a very enjoyable and informative trip.



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