Moving forward with L3: Literacy and Opportunities through Latin

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Latin as L3

- Glasgow City Council
- St Aloysius College & Scottish Classics Network
- Classical Association of Scotland



Latin as L3 in Glasgow City Council

- Started with Glasgow University and the Iris Project
- Volunteer undergraduates worked in P7 classes in primaries in the St Mungo's Learning Community



- Benefits
 - High level of interest in Classical mythology
 - Class teachers noted that literacy levels had improved in classes where the children were participating in the project
- Not a sustainable model in the long term



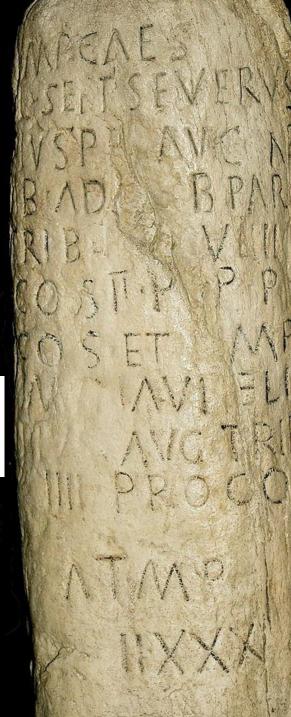


Latin as L3 in Glasgow City Council

- Researched available materials to ensure accessibility for all
- Decided on Minimus resources by Barbara Bell
- Worked with our Latin and Classics friends on how best to progress
- Trained 2 cohorts of teachers to deliver in their schools in 2019 and 2021
- School in NE of city, all upper school classes enjoyed a term of Latin using Minimus and incorporating learning about The Romans
- This session we have a primary in the West and a secondary in the South using Latin as L3







Latin as L3 in Glasgow City Council

• For senior students we have St Mungo's Academy offering National 5 and Higher certificate classes from this session.







Latin in Scottish Schools

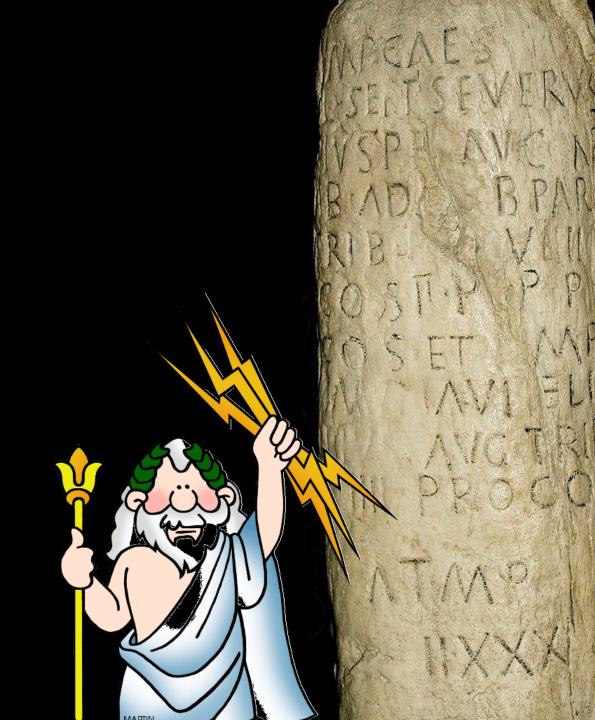
focus on reading and use of language

• grammar and translation

• Latin literature

Ancient Roman civilization

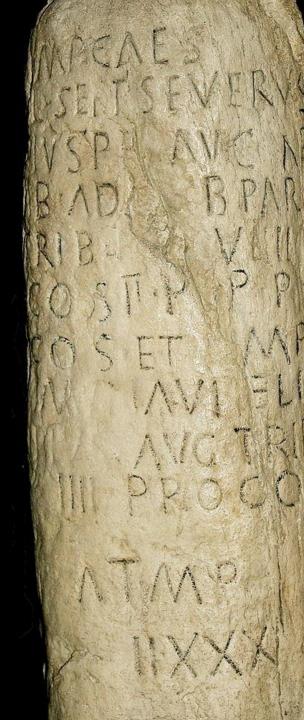
• different from Modern Languages (no speaking, listening, or writing in Latin necessary).



Literacy and Latin

- Prior assumptions
- consolidating knowledge of grammar from Primary School/Secondary School English lessons
- focus on basics of language with weaker pupils (nouns, subject, object, verb).
- challenge the most able through manipulation of the language



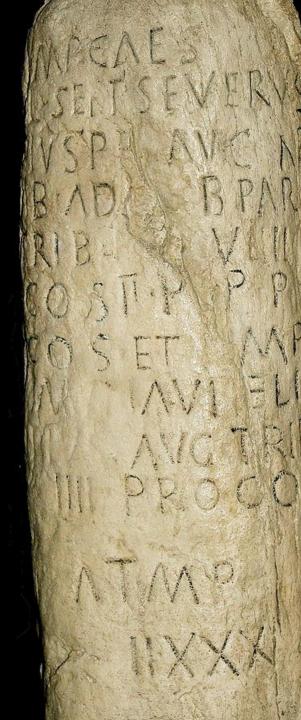


Latin in Scottish Schools

- Latin BGE only at Level 3 and 4
- N3 AH Latin with SQA
- Latin as L3 within a Modern Languages dept.
- Literacy, Language and Ancient Culture with English / Humanities / Social Subjects
- Classics Clubs







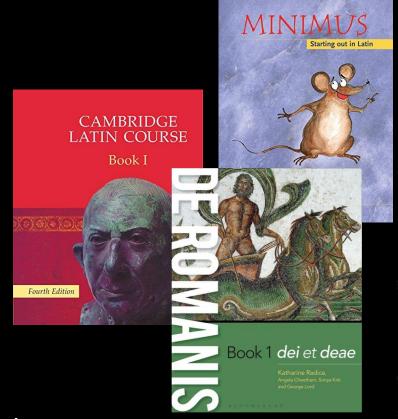
Latin in Scottish Schools

- So many different resources!
- Grammar / Translation courses
- Reading Courses:

 Minimus (primary)
 Cambridge Latin Course
 Oxford Latin Course
 De Romanis

 Suburani

• Classical Studies and Latin combinations



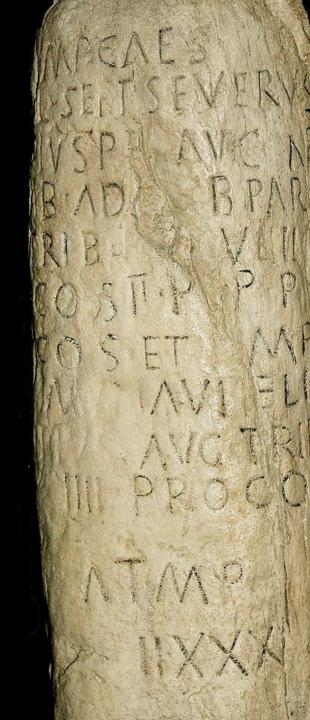


Quo Vadis? Latin at the Crossroads

- In 2016-17 survey, only 11 schools identified offering any Latin provision
- Subject in mortal peril in state sector
- Intervention from multiple institutions necessary to change picture







Building a Sustainable Presence

- Working with local authorities; state and independent schools; teaching associations and interested individuals
- Financial support for training in Latin through local authority contacts or via bespoke sessions with qualified trainers
- Financial support for schools start-up costs in Latin/Classics
- Connections with national network of Classics teachers and university academics



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