

Further Help To Get Started

If you are looking to set up Classics courses in primary or secondary schools, the organisations listed below may be able to help you. Some offer teaching using video conferencing and computer-based digital aids, while others can provide small grants to pay for books, media and other support materials. They can also provide invaluable advice.

The Cambridge Schools Classics Project

The CSCP is a not-for-profit department of the University of Cambridge and provides help, support and advice to schools wishing to introduce a classical subject. It authors the most widely used Latin course in the world and has a huge range of resources, including e-learning and video conferencing, which also encompasses classical civilisation and ancient Greek. It is often the first point of call for any school wishing to start Latin.

CSCP is self-financing and is not a grant-giving body, although it does occasionally fund research into classics education. In recent years it has joint-funded initiatives with Classics for All.

www.cambridgescp.com

The Society for the Promotion of Roman Studies

The Society's Schools Committee makes grants to schools to help promote the teaching of Latin and Roman studies. Most of the grants are awarded for the purchase of textbooks and other books and resources for Roman studies. It also makes awards to schools and museums organising lectures or study days on Roman themes, especially if they benefit large numbers of children throughout the year.

The Committee does not offer grants to support one-off school trips or events. Applications from schools planning to start courses in Latin are particularly welcome.

The Society does not give grants for the Minimus books as schools may apply direct to the Minimus Project.

Applications should be sent to the Secretary, Roman Society, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU to arrive by 1 February, 1 July or 1 November in any year. There is no special application form, but applicants should provide information about the level of their departmental budget, the type of courses taught, and in the case of applications for books, a list of the books wanted with their prices.

Grants usually range from £50 to £500.

www.romansociety.org

Friends of Classics

Friends of Classics offers grants up to a maximum of about £500, but more is available in special circumstances. Grants are paid to institutions only, not individuals. They are generally restricted to schools and summer schools who wish to begin or support courses in Latin, Greek, classical civilisation and ancient history. We do not give grants for travel abroad.

There are no grant application forms. If you wish to apply for a grant, write to Jeannie Cohen, Friends of Classics, 51 Achilles Road, London NW6 1DZ, or send an e-mail; but you will need to include your organisation's letter-head.

You will need to be specific about how much is needed and why, and give detailed costings.

www.friends-classics.demon.co.uk

Joint Association of Classical Teachers Greek Project

The JACT Greek Project uses the royalties from its Reading Greek series to support the study of the ancient Greek language, culture and history in schools in the UK. Grants are payable only to institutions and no grants are given for travel.

Again, application is by e-mail, using your organisation's letter-head and being specific about how much money you need, for what and why, and providing detailed costings. Grants of up to £500 are available.

Contact Dr Peter Jones at pvjones@friends-classics.demon.co.uk, or go to www.jact.org

The Primary Latin Project

Schools are encouraged to apply for a grant to help buy a set of books, but PLP request that schools contribute some of the cost; many schools have received a 50% grant. This grant fund is also open to independent schools. You will need to download the grant form for Minimus Book 1 and for Minimus Secundus from the website.

The Primary Latin Project is allowed to give grants only to schools in the United Kingdom.

www.minimus-etc.co.uk

The Hellenic Society

The Hellenic Society Council considers applications from institutions and Schools for small grants to assist projects and events in the field of Hellenic Studies. Typical projects for schools include the development of new courses in Greek, books and other teaching materials, Classics days or conferences, Greek plays by schools and summer schools.

Grants are usually in the range of £100-£500, but larger amounts are sometimes awarded. Download the application form from the website.

www.hellenicsociety.org.uk

The Joint Association of Classical Teachers (JACT)

JACT is a membership organisation dedicated to supporting the teaching of classical subjects at all levels. It has the dual aims of defending the teaching and learning of Classics at a national level, and encouraging networking and information sharing among teachers, students and any other individuals working in Classics.

It maintains links with many other organisations, both academic and professional, which share the unifying aim of promoting the teaching of Classics.

JACT is not a major grant-giving body, but may give small grants to support classics in schools.

www.jact.org