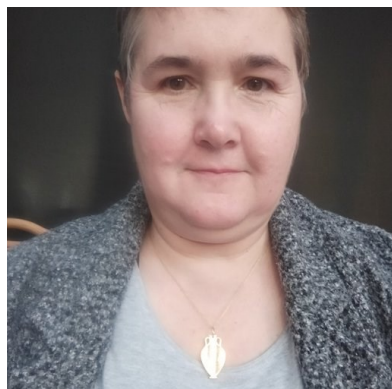


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From Sian Squire (Teacher)

HAVE YOU TRIED OUR YOU TUBE WELCOME VIDEO?



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WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT THEN?

The civilisations of Ancient Greece and Rome are arguably the foundations of modern western society and this course at SCG covers the literature and culture of the Roman and Greek worlds. This is a very varied course taught by specialist teachers. You'll study the myths, literature, history, politics, art and architecture, philosophy and the way people lived in Greece and Rome. You should have an interest in Greek and Roman history and society.

"I loved Classical Civilisation . It helped me tremendously"

Ex A level student Lee McAteer (Now Associate Director of Tranmere Rovers !)

WHICH MODULES WILL I STUDY?

Homer's Odyssey – We learn about the gods and the general myths surrounding the siege of the city of Troy. Odysseus is a hero who helped get inside Troy by building a wooden horse. He angers the god Poseidon by blinding his son, the Cyclops and so is punished on the way home. We read Homer's epic story in English and find out about the way the Heroic society in Greece functioned.

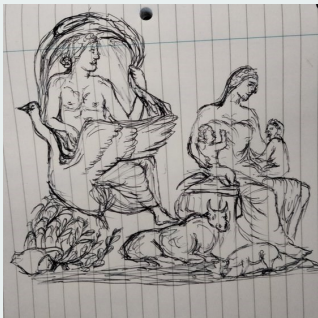
Imperial Image – In 44BC Julius Caesar was assassinated. No one expected his 18-year-old grandnephew, Octavian to become the next ruler. Young, inexperienced and with plenty of opposition, Octavian became Emperor Augustus. We study some of the historical events of his Principate and look at how his image needed to change from warrior to man of peace.

Virgil's Aeneid – The war at Troy was a disaster for the Trojans and according to legend, one man, Aeneas escaped and sailed to Italy. His son was called Lulus who was an ancestor of Julius Caesar. This epic story tells the tale of Aeneas' escape from Troy and eventual arrival in Italy where he battles Italian tribes for supremacy.

Democracy and the Athenians – In the 5th BC a new form of government, democracy, was born. Or was it?! We study the reasons that Athens developed this new form of government, what it meant to them and whether it really was democracy. This is a study of history, politics, comedy, and Athenian Society.

THE GREEK AND ROMAN GODS

| GREEK NAME | ROMAN NAME | POWER | SYMBOL |
|------------|------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Zeus | Jupiter | King of the Gods | Thunderbolt Eagle Oak Tree |
| Hera | Juno | Queen of gods | Peacock Children |
| Poseidon | Neptune | God of Sea | Trident Horses Fish |
| Ares | MArs | God of War | Weapons |
| Apollo | Apollo | God of sun and prophe- cy | The sun / Harp Chariot |
| Hephaestus | Vulcan | God of metal working | Anvil and HAMmer |
| Hermes | Mercury | God of communication | Winged feet |
| Athene | Minerva | God of Science /crafts/ wisdon | Owl Helmet/shield |
| Artemis | Diana | Goddess of Hunting | Hounds/moon/bow/arrow |
| Hestia | Vesta | Goddess of hearth and home | Fire |
| Demeter | Ceres | Goddess of agriculture | Sheaf of Wheat Sickle |
| Aphrodite | Venus | Goddess of love | Sea shell |
| Dionysis | Bacchus | God of Wine | Grapes / wine |



WHATS MY SUMMER HOMEWORK?

- 1) LEARN the names of the Greek and Roman gods for a test the first day you come to class!
- 2) Make a god or a temple associated with a Greek god and TAKE A PICTURE to show me on the first day back. It can be ANYTHING associated with a Greek god and made in any way you want! Be as creative as you like. It has to be something YOU make.

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- Plasticine/Clay/Papier mache gods !
- Draw a cartoon or comic telling the story of a god and mortal
- Make a short youtube video of a story of a god with Playmobil or get your friends into a bedsheet toga and make a video
- Make a poster of the gods
- Paint a picture of a god
- 3D print a god and paint it
- Knit me a god!
- Do a tapestry or cross stitch of a Greek god
- Do some research on a Greek Temple dedicated to a god looked like and build it with boxes/toilet rolls
- Do some research on a Greek Temple and make one in Minecraft!

Choose an idea from above or make something up yourselves – not sure or need reassurance that your idea is the best ever?

E mail me at ses@ssfc.ac.uk

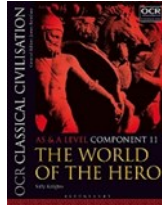


WHICH BOOKS WILL I NEED?



You need to buy the translations printed on the exam paper:

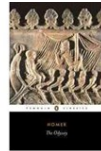
The World of the Hero General Textbook
Starting Sept 2023



The World of the Hero
OCR Component 11
Sally Knights
ISBN 10 =1350015075
ISBN 13 = 978—1350015074

[Link to Amazon](#)

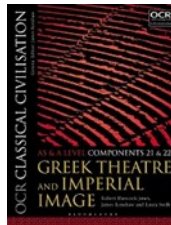
The Odyssey by Homer
Starting Sept 2023



The Odyssey by Homer
Translated by EV Rieu revised by DCH Rieu
ABSX: B000QAT1D4M

[Link to Amazon](#)

Imperial Image General textbook
Starting Jan 2024



OCR Classical Civilisation Component 21&22
Greek Theatre and Imperial Image
Rob Hancock and James Renshaw
ISBN 10 130015113
ISBN 13 978—1350015111

[Link to Amazon](#)

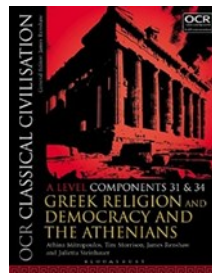
The Aeneid by Virgil
Term 3 Sept 2025



The Aeneid by Virgil
Translated by David West
ISBN 10: 01404493329
ISBN 13: 978-01404493

[Link to Amazon](#)

Democracy and the Athenians
Term 4
Starting Jan 2025



OCR Classical Civilisation Component 31&34
Greek Religion and Democracy and the Athenians
Athina Mitropolus
ISBN 10 :01404493329
ISBN 13: 978-0140449327

[Link to Amazon](#)

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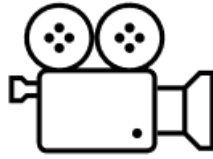


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STILL BORED?

SOME VIDEOS TO WATCH



Odyssey

Odyssey film 1997

bit.ly/39uXsaS

Imperial Image

Documentary on Augustus

<https://bit.ly/4b4dZwf>

Aeneid

Historical Background to the Aeneid

<https://bit.ly/3OjN8RL>

Democracy and Athenians

Michael Scott— Democracy and the
Theatre

<https://bit.ly/3mXbrcU>

NOT SUMMER HOME-
WORK
FOR
INTEREST ONLY!



SOME PODCASTS TO LISTEN TO:



Sian with Natalie Haynes !

Odyssey

BBC In Our Time “The Odyssey”

<https://bbc.in/3zd9qlT>

Natalie Haynes Stands up for the Classics

<https://bbc.in/3OpgQFk>

Imperial Image

In Our Time—The Augustan Period

<https://bit.ly/4bbGmIN>

Aeneid

In Our Time—The Aeneid

<https://bit.ly/3XwwNRT>

Democracy and Athenians

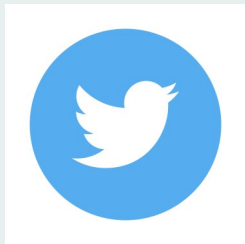
Rise of Ancient Athens

<https://bit.ly/3Vp2hqh>



You’re dead to me (!) Michael Scott talks about Athenian Democracy

<https://bit.ly/3Xq2yf2>



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WHAT DO I NEED IN SEPTEMBER?

We do not supply stationary so you'll need

- A4 paper to put in files
- File
- Pens—biros and felt tips
- Your summer homework
 - α. Learn the names of the gods for a test p2&3
 - β. A picture of something related to the gods that you have created (print off , please ...I'd also like a digital copy!) See p4
- You will NOT be required to have watched any videos or listened to any podcasts for Sept—they are for interest only!
- A copy of the World of Hero book p5
- A copy of the RIGHT translation of the Odyssey p5



Try us on You Tube
Classical Civilisation
Shrewsbury



"I didn't do Classical Civilisation at GCSE, but it looked really interesting at the College open day. It is a great mix of English, Drama and History. I want to do Classics at Durham University. I came to SCG because there were better subject choices, which were flexible. I feel more independent here and it is a nice step between school and university. I really enjoy looking at Greek comedy."

Alice Butler
*A Level Classical Civilisation, Music,
Drama & Theatre and English
Literature*
Previous School: Newtown High School

