

## LANCASTER ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

### **NEWCASTLE CLASSICS CONFERENCE - Wednesday November 20 2019**

It is proposed to take a school trip to Newcastle. The trip will leave East Road on Wednesday November 20 at 7.20 am and will return on the same day at about 7.00 pm to East Road. The party will be led by Miss R Pettit and Miss A Ball. Pupils will need to wear smart casual clothes and to bring a little pocket money and a packed lunch. The cost of this proposed visit is £20.00. This payment is purely voluntary. If you decide not to contribute, the law states that your son is still entitled to take part. On the other hand, failure to meet the cost of the visit will inevitably lead to its cancellation.

The lectures are spread around the university campus. Boys will be given a map, programme and advice on which lectures to attend and will have freedom to move around the campus independently from staff (who will be attending a range of the lectures). Boys will be allowed into the town centre for lunch in groups. All boys will be given an emergency contact number in case of any difficulties. If you have any questions regarding this visit or this letter please contact Miss A Ball at LRGS.

The Newcastle Classics Conference is a popular annual event. There is a wide range of lectures, some of a specialist nature, aimed at sixth form linguists and ancient historians, but many are of a more general interest, and quite accessible to members of Year 11 and 10. All those currently studying a classical subject in the sixth form, and GCSE Hellenists, are strongly urged to go; GCSE Latinists will find much to interest them, even if they are not planning to study classics in the sixth form. The opportunity to sample university life, and see what university lectures (and lecturers!) are like, would by itself be worth the visit. It is also reassuring to see how many other people are also studying classics, in one form or another.

To guarantee a place on this visit, please pay on Wisepay. The school is moving towards online consent/medical forms, which will be sent to you once I know who is coming on the trip.

Yours sincerely,

Miss A Ball