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NEWSPAPER OF THE 29TH LATIN SUMMER SCHOOL: DIES LUNAE, JANUARIUS

The Abbey's Bookstore website has been set up to give a 10% discount on all Latin titles that are in stock and not already discounted. The code that needs to be used is NUNCESTLEGENDUM (all caps, no gaps).

Here is the link to the Latin books on their website:

<https://www.abbey.com.au/category/latin.do?>

The discount is also valid in-store (again, in-stock items only that are not already discounted). The discount (online and in-store) is available from 16 January to 31 January 2023 inclusive. In-store customers just need to mention they attended the Latin Summer School to receive the discount.

Australian Universities, SLSS and the Kudos Foundation

In almost thirty years LSS has gone from small beginnings to the current rich and enjoyable event for over 200 people of all ages and walks of life. At first it was a partnership of ACU and the University of Sydney, but from the beginning tutors were also drawn from a number of NSW/ACT universities where Latin was taught, especially UNE, ANU, Macquarie and Newcastle. LSS could not go on without their contributions of time and expertise.

But in the course of the thirty years some smaller departments have had trouble maintaining the classical languages (Adelaide,

Newcastle) and even traditional departments like that at the University of Sydney constantly feel their language offerings under threat. Imagine a world in which there would be no opportunities to study Latin to the high level the LSS tutors evince, and no opportunities for students who miss out on Latin at school to begin the subject at university! This is where the Kudos Foundation wants to help.

Several of your tutors are supported by the Kudos Foundation for various projects. Sam Wessels is the Kudos-funded Kevin Lee Teaching Fellow at the University of Sydney. Dr Michael Hanaghan of ACU won a grant-in-aid to compose a new Latin primer and a reader of Later Latin pieces. Dr Sarah Lawrence at UNE proposes to develop two on-line courses in Latin and Greek with another grant-in-aid. A third grant-in-aid (this time co-funded by LSS) has been advertised and will be awarded soon.

Please look at our website and consider helping us to do more for Classics in Australian Universities. (<https://kudos.org.au/>)

Frances Muecke (Chairperson of the Kudos Foundation)

Tea in Rome – a light-hearted poem

I took a holiday to Rome
And met a handsome geezer
A roguish twinkle in his eye
His name was Julius Caesar

I visited the forum
And wandered to and fro
And met a man most debonair
His name was Cicero

I strolled along the Tiber
A river wet and swampy
And met a most enchanting bloke
His name, he said, was Pompey

The three of us went out for tea
And Caesar had some jam
Pompey had a rat, a choice
Which Cicero did slam

And then the three bade me farewell
Until another day
And up the Palatine, I watched
Their togas fade away

Lisa Creffield



Detail of the Temple of Portunus, Rome