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The Principal

Sir / Madam

In the past, due to teacher shortages and the lack of resources, learners in smaller towns and rural areas of our country seldom had the opportunity to learn about the Classics. Today, sadly this fact is true even for our bigger cities. Only a handful of schools, mostly private, still offer Latin as a matriculation subject. The ACADEMIA LATINA of the University of Pretoria has noticed with alarm the decline in numbers of Latin learners. Refer to attached excerpts from an article in the 'Beeld' of 5 August 2003, about the lack of stimulation for gifted learners in our schools.

Therefore, the ACADEMIA LATINA decided to offer to **all learners across South Africa, no matter where or how old**, the opportunity to get acquainted with the subject that lies very near to our hearts – LATIN.

Why LATIN? In all our activities, in every walk of life, we depend on words to convey our ideas. Something like half the modern English vocabulary has either been borrowed directly from Latin or come from Latin through French, Spanish, Italian, or Portuguese, all of which are direct descendants of Latin. Present courses in Medical Terminology and Legal Terminology at the University of Pretoria are based on Latin and SCHOLA SCRIPTA offers an excellent basis for these courses.

The ACADEMIA LATINA offers **SCHOLA SCRIPTA**, *an excellent correspondence course in basic Latin, which includes themes on the Roman world, the treasures of Classical Mythology and a bit of Roman history*. The ACADEMIA LATINA has been running the prototypes of the present courses very successfully for the last few years and 2 800 correspondents, ranging in age from 10 years old to 82, have completed one or more of the four courses.

We are now proud to launch the brand new version of SCHOLA SCRIPTA. Please find enclosed enrolment forms and brochures for distribution to interested learners who will benefit from this fun-filled enrichment course. After completion of each course, the learner receives a certificate from the University of Pretoria, which can be handed out at a prize-giving ceremony. All necessary information is available on the enrolment forms. You will notice that our enrolment fees are very reasonable.

Your cooperation in this regard is much appreciated!

Yours truly

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Die Hoof

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As gevolg van tekorte aan onderwysers en hulpbronne in die verlede, het leerders in kleiner dorpe en op die platteland selde die geleentheid gehad om van die Klassieke te leer. Deesdae is hierdie feit ongelukkig ook waar vir ons groot stede. Slegs 'n handjievol skole, meeste daarvan privaatskole, bied steeds Latyn aan as 'n matriekvak. Die ACADEMIA LATINA van die Universiteit van Pretoria het met groot kommer die afname in die aantal leerders in Latyn waargeneem. Sien meegaande uittreksels uit 'n koerantberig "oor skreiende gebrek aan steun vir Suid-Afrika se begaafde kinders" - Beeld 5 Aug. 2003.

Die ACADEMIA LATINA het dus die besluit geneem om aan alle leerders regoor Suid Afrika, afgesien van waar hulle woon, of hoe oud hulle is, die geleentheid te bied om op 'n maklike en gebruikersvriendelike manier nader kennis te maak met die vak wat ons na aan die hart lê - LATYN.

Hoekom LATYN? In al ons daaglikse aktiwiteite en werkkringe maak ons staat op woorde om ons idees oor te dra. Sowat die helfte van Engelse woorde, baie Afrikaanse woorde, asook uitdrukkings en afkortings, is direk aan Latyn verleen of kom vanaf Latyn deur Frans, Spaans, Italiaans of Portugees, wat almal direk aan Latyn verwant is. Ons huidige kursusse in Mediese en Regsterminologie aan die Universiteit van Pretoria is gebaseer op Latyn en SCHOLA SCRIPTA bied 'n uitstekende grondslag hiervoor.

SCHOLA SCRIPTA is 'n uitstekende korrespondensiekursus wat die *basiese beginsels van Latyn*, 'n blik op die *Romeinse wêreld*, die *skatkis van die Klassieke Mitologie* en 'n bietjie *Romeinse geskiedenis* insluit. Oor die afgelope paar jaar het 2 800 korrespondente, met ouderdomme wat wissel tussen 10 en 82, een of meer van die vier kursusse suksesvol by die ACADEMIA LATINA afgelê.

Dit is met trots dat ons die splinternuwe weergawe van SCHOLA SCRIPTA loods. Ons sal dit werklik waardeur as u die ingeslote inskrywingsvorme en brosjures sal uitdeel aan leerders wat geïnteresseerd is en wat baat sal vind by hierdie prettige en verrykende kursus. Met die voltooiing van elke kursus ontvang die leerder 'n sertifikaat van die Universiteit van Pretoria wat tydens prysuitdelingsfunksies oorhandig kan word. Alle nodige inligting kom op die inskrywingsvorm voor. U sal merk dat die inskrywingsgeld baie redelik is.

U samewerking word hoog op prys gestel!

Die uwe

Corrie Schumann