

RUMBLE MUSEUM

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ABOUT US

The Rumble Museum at Cheney is run by educational charity The Iris Project and spread throughout corridors and rooms. We run regular projects, talks and events, and have two active student Museum Councils.

YEAR NINES 'GIFTS THROUGH THE AGES' DISPLAY

For the month of December, our Year Nine Museum Project students have curated a display in our front cabinet in Cheney School's main reception.

The students chose Christmas gifts through the ages as their theme, and items ranging from a set of Russian "nesting" dolls to a 1980s ZX Spectrum computer can be viewed in the cabinet.

Other items featured are our music items (a Gershwin tape, U2 CD and i-Pod, as well as a vinyl), and a Princess Mary Tin, given to all serving British soldiers in 1914.

All these items are in our Rumble Museum's collection displays around the school, and have been temporarily moved to the front reception.

You will be able to view the students' display until the end of December.



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AFRICAN ARTEFACTS WORKSHOPS FOR YEAR EIGHTS AND TENS

During November, we have been running African artefact and culture workshops for groups of students of African heritage within the school. The workshops have been delivered by local expert Natty Mark Samuels, and have involved a mixture of interactive cartography and word games to explore the rich history and heritage of East Africa.

Students have also been able to handle some of our African artefacts and take part in poetry performances.

Natty will be with us this Friday 10th December from 3.30 to 5pm to launch a new booklet produced by the Rumble Museum on its collection, with poetry by Natty throughout. The event will include drumming, artefact handling, poetry and refreshments. All ages are welcome - to book, please email lorna@irisproject.org.uk

Next term, we will continue our work with groups of students across the school on developing our displays and collections.



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GREEK AND ROMAN COIN DONATION

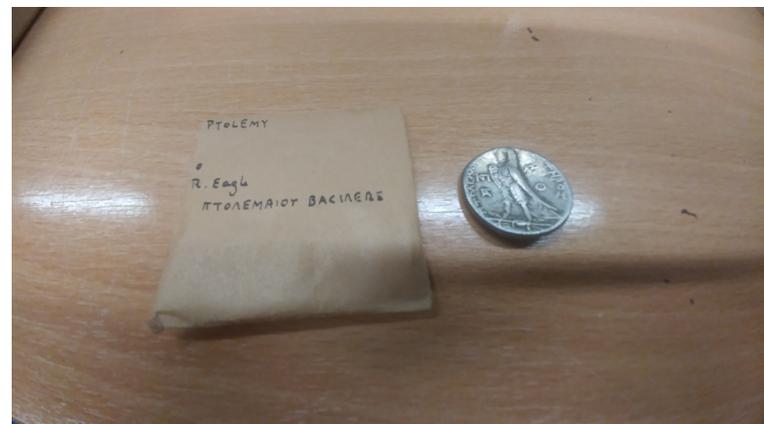
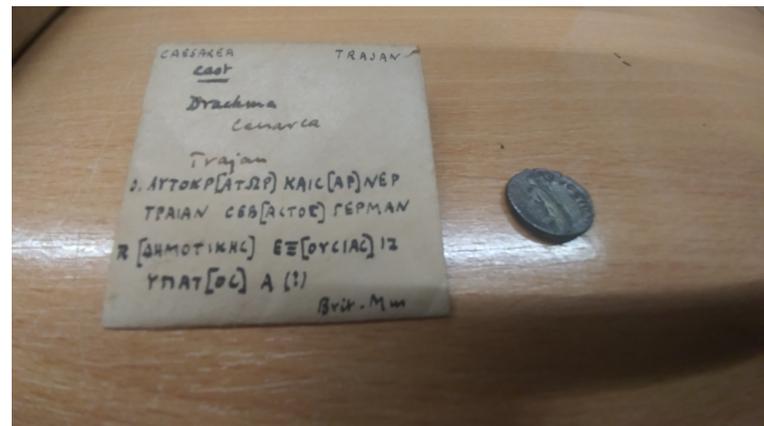
We were delighted this week to have received a generous donation of a large number of original Greek and Roman coins to our Rumble Museum collections.

Many of the coins have been identified, but some are still uncleaned and unidentified.

We are planning in the New Year to work with interested groups of students on a project exploring and identifying some of these coins.

We are also planning a display of our extensive coin collections, which include a large number of Middle Eastern coins as well as Greek and Roman coins.

We are keen to hear from any coin specialists who might like to help us with these exciting tasks. If you'd like to help, please get in touch at lorna@irisproject.org.uk



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RUMBLE MUSEUM BREAKFAST TALKS ON JAPAN

This term, Year Sevens have been enjoying breakfast talks from a range of experts every Tuesday morning. Over thirty students turned up to every talk, with topics ranging from why blue is so rare in nature and the maths behind how things spread, to discovering a new species of dinosaur and the differences between male and female brains.

We are enormously grateful to Professor Andy Lowe from the University of Adelaide, Dr Thom Rawson from Imperial College London, Professor Neil Gostling from the University of Southampton, and Professor Gina Rippon from the Aston Brain Centre. You can listen to most of the talks online on our "What's On" page at www.rumblemuseum.org.uk

Next term, Year Tens are invited to five different breakfast talks, all on the theme of Japan. Students will be able to attend talks about Japanese art, language, cinema and gender roles every Tuesday morning starting on 11th January. Please fill in the google form on the leadership email if you would like to attend any of these talks!

