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So as we celebrate Independence Day this year, let us be mindful of our forbears and their genius – and their sacrifice on the field of battle – and let us also pray for the safety and wellbeing of American troops, who keep us safe from terror and guard our precious freedoms with their vigilant courage, and all too often with their very lives.

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school beloved by Samuel Johnson, the headmaster of an endowed grammar school could not legally be compelled to teach anything but Greek and Latin. It is not always remembered that the American Founding Fathers, though educated on colonial soil, were similarly grounded in the classics.

By Smith Andrews

The symbols, slogans, ideas and architecture of the Founding Fathers were saturated in the world of ancient Greece and Rome.

Classicism and the American Revolution

Inaugural address at the University of New South Wales, 1982

Thaddeus Kosciuszko (1746-1817) was a Polish reformer in the American Revolution, who later led a failed rebellion in Poland. Jefferson and Kosciuszko met in 1776 and became firm friends. This is a copy of a square portrait of American drawn by Kosciuszko before his return to Poland in 1789.

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George Washington addresses generals of the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War.

George Washington

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prohibiting the free exercise thereof, that this bill of rights is absolutely necessary, as the only means of uniting and securing the affections of the people of these states to the government under them. It is, in the opinion of the representatives of the state of Virginia, a constitution which, in the opinion of the representatives of the people of this state, shall, at the same time, be necessary to the peace and happiness of the Union.

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