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Saturday 27th April 2019
Small Chemistry Lecture Theatre, Main Building, Cardiff University,
Museum Avenue, Cardiff at 10.30am

Soldiers and civilians on Rome's northerly frontier - Hadrian's Wall and Vindolanda
A talk by Chris Dale

Hadrian's Wall is without doubt the best-known and most conspicuous relic of the 400 year occupation of Britain by the Romans. It has fascinated scholars from the Venerable Bede in the 8th century to the present day and attracts thousands of visitors each year. Since the 1970's the Roman fort and settlement at Vindolanda has yielded an extraordinary hoard of wooden writing tablets, many of which can still be read, offering a unique insight into conditions of service for the soldiers and the private lives of civilians living there. This lecture will examine the structure of the Wall and the reasons why it was built as well as drawing on the evidence of the Vindolanda tablets to describe the life and lives of some of those who were sent to serve in such a distant land.

Chris Dale will be already known to some of you. After studying Latin, Greek and archaeology at Cardiff University, Chris taught classics at Cardiff state and independent schools for thirty-five years. An enthusiastic traveller, he has visited many sites of the Roman Empire as well as museums around the world housing Roman artefacts. Since retiring from teaching, he has taken up lecturing on diverse aspects of Roman art and archaeology. The Friends will visit Hadrian's Wall and Vindolanda during the Northumberland trip which will take place between 6th-10th May this year.

The admission charge, to include post-lecture coffee and biscuits, is £8 for tickets booked in advance or £10 at the door. Please complete the slip below and send it with your cheque, made payable to Friends of National Museum Wales to **Richard Carter, 2 Maes y Deri, Rhiwbina, Cardiff CF14 6JJ. Tel: 02920 620687**

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