BATTERSEA GRAMMAR SCHOOL

ST. JOHN'S HILL, WANDSWORTH COMMON.

Station—CLAPHAM JUNCTION.



Recognised by the Board of Education.

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Co-optalive Governors.

Endowed Secondary School.

Founded A.D. 1700.

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WILLIAM HENRY BINDLEY, M.A., CANTAB.

Graduale in Honours of the University of Cambridge.
Formerly Foundation Scholar in Mathematics and Classics of Emmanuel College, Cambridge.
Prizeman in Greek Testament. Prizeman in Chemistry.

I. STAFF.

Members of Staff who have voluntarily entered the Army or Navy since the beginning of the War.

B. J. POLACK, B.A., Cantab. (Honours Mod. Lang.). Joined Aug., 1914. 2nd Lieut. Worcester Reg. Killed in action in Mesopotamia, April, 1916.

ERNEST R. ELLIS, B.Sc., Lond. (Honours, Science).
Joined Aug., 1914. 2nd Lieut., Royal Garrison Artillery.

ARNOLD BISHONDEN (R.N.) Instructor in Rifle Shooting, Swedish and Military Drill.
Joined Feb., 1915. Now Lieut.-Commander (Royal Naval Division).

W. H. GILES (Certif. Instructor for Manual Training). Joined Summer, 1915. Pioneers, Quarter-Master . Sergeant.

E. D. L. DAVIES (Oxford and London University Science Course). Joined Summer, 1915. 2nd Lieut. Royal Flying Corps and Instructor in Wireless Telegraphy.

C. W. ARMSTRONG, B.A., Oxon. (Honours in Science). Now Qualified M.R.C.S., L.S.A., and Lieut. R.A.M.C.

H. G. HALL, B.A, Lond. Attested 1915. Joined Summer, 1916.

R. H. GEARE, Inter. B.A., London Univ. Attested 1915. Joined Summer, 1916.

Members of Acting Staff-Disqualified for the Army or Invalided out-after service.

H. T. GOODWIN, B.A., Oxon. (Honours). Classics and

CHISMAN, M.A., Cantab. (Honours). Mathematics. HENRY R. ELLIS, B.Sc., Lond. (Honours). Science.

E. H. WAKELY, M.A., Cantab. (Honours). English Lang. and Lit.

H. B. CRUSE, M.A. Cantab. (Honours). Mathematics and form subject). Major of School Cadet Corps. E. E. WHALE, B.Sc., London (Honours). Science and

Physics. Captain of School Cadet Corps. C. H. D. McCARTHY (The Sorbonne, Paris). French,

Spanish and German. J. A. METTLER (Swiss Universities). French, German and Spanish.

T. W. RAMSEY, B.A., Lond. French, Italian, &c.

J. M. CARROLL. Instructor in Gymnastics and Rifle Shooting. Lieut. in Cadet Corps.

MISS E. K. HAMBLETON, LL.A., St. Andrews, M.C.P. MISS M. KOESTER, Training Certificates.

Miss D. COLE, Training Cerlificates. S. H. PHYSIC, F.G.C.M., Instructor in Music and Sing-

V. J. ROBERTSON (Highest Certificates). Instructor in Drawing and Painting. H. WELLING (Cerlificated). Instructor in Manual

Training.

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II. SITE-Accessibility.

The Battersea Grammar School occupies an exceptionally good position for a School. Being close to Clapham Junction Station it is accessible by rail from all sides—by the Brighton line from Wandsworth Common, Balham, Tooting, Streatham and beyond; by the South Western Railway, from Wandsworth Town, Putney, Barnes and beyond and from Earlsfield, Wimbledon and beyond. Cheap season tickets bring boys by short journeys from these districts in all weathers. Tram and Motor Omnibuses also give access to the School. The two hours interval between morning and afternoon school gives to all boys the opportunity of taking mid-day dinner or lunch in their own homes.

III. HEALTHFULNESS OF SITUATION

The healthfulness of site is secured by three special advantages:-

- 1st. The high elevation above the river valley of the Thames.
 - 2nd. The deep gravel soil below and around the School.
- 3rd. Its close proximity to the open space of Wandsworth Common. Wandsworth Common also gives to the boys a fine Recreation Ground, in addition to the Schools own Playing Fields and Playground, and is useful also as a Military Exercise Ground for the Cadet Corps.

IV. BUILDINGS-Playground, Playing Fields, Rifle Range, &c.

- (1) A Fine Assembly Hall, used every morning for School Prayers. It is fitted with a Stage and Accessories for Dramatic and Musical Entertainments.
- (2) The Hall is also fitted as a Complete Swedish Gymnasium.
- (3) The Class Rooms have modern fittings and are well warmed and ventilated.
- (4) Well-equipped Science Laboratories for Chemistry and Physics, including Electricity and Magnetism.
- (5) A Modern Manual Training Room for practical work in wood and metal.
- (6) A large well-fitted Art Room for Drawing, Painting, Music and Singing.
- (7) The Large Playground attached to the School is used for Football and Cricket, and for minor Games, and it contains also:—
- (8) A Rifle Range, inspected and approved by the War Office.
- (9) The Governors also rent a large grass Playing Field, for the boys' Football and Cricket Matches and Practice.
- (10) Arrangements are made with a good neighbouring Swimming bath, to allow of the boys' regular use in the Summer months, and their being taught swimming by members of the staff.

V. AIM OF THE SCHOOL EDUCATION.

The aim of the School is to give a thoroughly good training of the spirit, mind and body of each boy, and so to prepare him for after life.

(A) CONDUCT TRAINING.

School is opened every morning with Prayers. (Parents' wishes are consulted at entrance.)
Religious instruction from the Bible is given in every form. (The New Version is used.)

- (1) In the Junior Forms.—Passages from the New Testament are learnt containing the direct teaching of The Founder of Our Religion—The Lord's Prayer—The Twofold Rule of Christian Conduct, illustrated by the Parable Teaching of the Gospels.
- (2) In the Middle Forms.—This is further developed and connected with the Hebrew Conduct Code of the Ten Commandments, illustrated also by Parable Teaching.
- (3) In the Upper Forms.—The Old Testament Books are also studied, with the aid of Text Books, which are reasonable and reverent in tone, aided also by Reference Books from the School Library.

The teachings of Hygiene, Physiology and Psychology are shown to coincide with the teaching of the Christian Conduct Code, and are used in reference to the boys' everyday practical life as they are reaching maturity.

(B) MIND TRAINING.

(1) Junior Division.

Reading, Writing, Arithmetic.
Composition, Spelling, Grammar.
History and Geography.
English Literature.
Nature Study.
Drawing and Painting.
Manual Training.
Singing.

(2) Middle Division. Arithmetic. Algebra and Geometry. Composition. English Grammar. Literature. History and Geography. French (spoken and written). One of the following:— Either Extra French, or Latin, or Italian, or Spanish, or Russian, or German. Nature Study and Experimental Science (Beginning of Physics and Chemistry). Business Subjects :-Handwriting, Tots, Book-keeping, Shorthand. Drawing :-Freehand, Model, Memory, Painting, Mechanical. Manual Training in Wood and Metal. Singing.

(3) Senior Division.

Arithmetic. Algebra and Geometry. Trigonometry (and Navigation). Mechanics. Higher Mathematics. English Composition, Language and Literature. History and Geography. French (spoken and written). One of the following:-Either Extra French, or Latin (Greek, if required), or Italian, or Spanish. or Russian, or German. Chemistry :--Practical and Theoretical. Inorganic and Organic. Physics:-Heat, Light and Sound. Electricity and Magnetism. Engineering. Business Subjects, as required. (See previous column.) Drawing and Painting (for special boys). Elocution Manual Work (in special cases).

THE COURSE OF INSTRUCTION prepares boys for Junior and Senior University Local Examinations; the Senior School Examination of the London University; London Matriculation; the Inter. B.A. and Inter. B.Sc. Examinations of the London University; Civil Service Examinations; Second Division and Intermediate Appointments (Admiralty, War Office, Exchequer and Audit, Post Office, Surveyor of Taxes, Excise, &c.); the Army; the Navy; the Merchant Service, and for the winning of SCHOLARSHIPS as follows: L.C.C. Supplementary and Intermediate Scholarships; Leaving Exhibitions from the School to the Universities; Open Scholarships at Oxford and Cambridge and other Universities, and at Hospitals and Engineer Colleges, and for Careers in Law and Medicine.

In all these the boys of the School have been most successful.—See HONOURS LISTS.

(C) BODY TRAINING.

- (1) The SWEDISH SYSTEM of Gymnastics (sanctioned by Government and used in the Army and Navy) is taught to every form in the School by a skilled and trained Instructor. The System is adapted to individual needs, so as to secure the greatest benefit to health and strength. (Exemptions if or when needed.)
- (2) MILITARY DRILL is taught in the Middle and Upper Forms.

RIFLE SHOOTING is taught in the School Rifle Range in the playground.

The School CADET CORPS is now affiliated to the 23rd City of London Regiment. The high efficiency of its Rifle Shooting has been proved both in competition with other schools and on the field of battle.

The Cadet Corps sends a contingent to the Secondary Schools Camp.

- (3) SWIMMING is taught and encouraged and Swimming Certificates are regularly competed for.

 Note.—Athletic Sports and Swimming Sports are held every year.
- (4) FOOTBALL and CRICKET are played under the supervision of Games Masters, in the School Playground and in the open Playing Fields rented for the School by the Governors.

VI. SCHOLARSHIPS AND LEAVING EXHIBITIONS.

- (1) There are Ten Entrance Foundation Scholarships competed for by an Examination held in the Summer of each year.

 These are open to the sons of Residents in the Parish of Battersea.
- (2) The London County Council offers Three Supplementary Scholarships each year, to be competed for by an Examination held at the School in Spring. They are open to boys between 14 and 15. They give Free Education and an annual Maintenance Grant.
- (3) Intermediate County Scholarships. These are obtained by passing the London University Matriculation or the London University Senior School Examination, which is held at our School in June. These Scholarships give Free Education and a Personal Allowance of £25 to £35 per annum
- (4) Open Scholarships at the Universities of Cambridge, Oxford, &c., and at Engineer and Science Colleges, or at the Hospitals, are prepared for and won by our boys.
- (5) Leaving Exhibitions are granted by the Governors to deserving Candidates passing from the School to places of higher education—as far as current funds may permit.

VII. BOARDERS.

Boarders can be received in the house of one of the married Assistant Masters. The Boarding House and its arrangements are under the inspection of the Governors and the sanction of the Board of Education. The terms and particulars on application.

VIII. SCHOOL HOURS AND HOLIDAYS.

Morning School, 9 to 12.15.

Afternoon School, 2.15 to 4.30 for older boys; 2.15 to 3.45 for young boys.

Wednesday and Saturday afternoons are Half-Holidays. Home Preparation varies with the form. Parents are requested to co-operate with the Masters in seeing on the one hand that homework is carefully done, and, on the other, that it does not become excessive.

The School Year, beginning in September, is divided into three terms averaging thirteen weeks each, with three weeks holiday at Christmas, three weeks about Easter, and the long holiday in the Summer.

IX. MEALS AT SCHOOL.

The two hours interval (12.15 to 2.15) gives boys ample time to return home for the mid-day meal. For those who come from a distance a dinner can be had at the School at a moderate price. Boys may bring their own lunch if desired.

X. ABSENCE. ILLNESS. INFECTION.

- (1) For absence, however short, a written reason must be sent.
- (2) When absence is prolonged by illness a written communication must be sent, and on returning to School boys must bring a medical certificate stating the nature of the illness.
- (3) No boy must attend School from a house in which there is, or recently has been, any infectious disease, nor must be return to School from such a house without a medical certificate stating that he can do so without risk of infection.

XI. REPORTS AND EXAMINATIONS.

A Report on the Progress, Conduct and Attendance of every boy is prepared every fortnight for the parents' inspection and signature. A full report is sent at the end of each term.

School Examinations are held during each year, and Examiners not connected with the School are appointed by the Governors to examine and report on the School at stated intervals.

XII. ADMISSION AND SCHOOL FEES.

All Enquiries and applications for admission are to be made to the Head Master at the School.

It is greatly to a boy's advantage to enter as young as possible.

A Reduction for brothers is made of one guinea per annum on the joint fee if there are two brothers, and of two guineas on the joint fee if there are more than two brothers.

The Fees are inclusive of all subjects of instruction, and of Stationery and use of Apparatus except mathematical instruments and most of the text books.

The Fees must be entered on a form supplied by the School, and must be paid in advance before the end of the second week of term to the London and South Western Bank (Clapham Junction Branch), 7 St. John's Hill, S.W.

Parents or Guardians if sending fees by post must be careful to send their Address on the Form.

Cheques or Orders to be made payable to the London and South Western Bank (Clapham Junction Branch).

Fees will not be received by the Bank without their being entered on the proper Form.

Two payments are made direct at the School:-

- (a) Payment for the School Cap, Two Shillings. The Governors require the School Cap to be worn by every boy attending the School.
- (b) The Games Fund, Two Shillings and Sixpence per term. This voluntary payment is expected to be paid for every boy. It enables Funds to be supplied for all Games and Recreation Clubs, Library, &c., and entitles each boy to a copy of the School Magazine.

The Governors require Half a Term's Notice of the withdrawal of a pupil, or in the alternative the payment of Half a Term's Fec.