

BATTERSEA GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

ST. JOHN'S HILL, WANDSWORTH COMMON.

Station—CLAPHAM JUNCTION.

ENDOWED
SECONDARY SCHOOL.

FOUNDED
A.D. 1700.



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BATTERSEA GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

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 interval between morning and afternoon school gives boys the opportunity of taking mid-day dinner or lunch in their own homes.

III. HEALTHFULNESS OF SITUATION.

Healthfulness of site is secured by:—

High elevation above the river-valley.

Deep gravel soil below and around the School.

Close proximity to the open space of Wandsworth Common. Wandsworth Common gives the boys a fine Recreation Ground, in addition to the School's own Playing Fields and Playground, and is useful 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, Physics, 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 and Painting.
- (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 have purchased 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 regular use in the summer months, and the teaching of swimming by members of the staff.

V. AIM OF THE SCHOOL EDUCATION

The School offers complete education and training to boys of 8 to 19 years of age. Its students are prepared for the Civil Service, and for the Scholastic, Medical, Dental, Legal and Journalistic Professions, as well as for Commercial Life, etc.

In the advanced courses, boys are specially prepared for open scholarships at the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge and London. During the last few years many valuable scholarships have been won, and the training received at the Grammar School fits its students for important positions in commercial and professional life. Apart from the purely scholastic aspect, the greatest attention is paid to physical and general development.

School opens each morning with prayers, a hymn, and a lesson from the Bible, in the Great Hall. The lesson is read by one of the Prefects.

All boys are medically examined regularly, and records are made each term of the weight and height of each scholar.

The school orchestra of over 40 performers is free to all boys who wish to join.

Various school societies, such as the Debating Society, the School Parliament, the Natural History Society, the Wireless Society, the Chess Club, Historical Society, etc., supply the equilibrium and self-confidence necessary for success in life.

The School Cadet Corps, which all boys are expected to join, furnishes training in habits of obedience, loyalty and command.

The School consists of three divisions:

1. Preliminary Course for boys of 8 to 12 years of age.

The subjects taught include:

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

2. The General Four-Year Course, leading to matriculation, for boys of 12 to 16 years of age.

The subjects taught include:

Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Mechanics, History, Geography, English Composition, Grammar and Literature, French, German or Latin, Chemistry, Theoretical and Practical Physics, Sound, Light and Heat, Magnetism and Electricity, Drawing, Manual Training, Drill, Singing, Scripture.

3. The Advanced Courses for boys of 16 to 19 years of age.

These courses are the most important feature of the school-work, and scholars are prepared for various professions, for the Degrees of the University of London, for Open Scholarships, and for the Civil Service.

(a) SCIENCE:

Chemistry:—Theoretical and Practical, Organic and Inorganic, Physical Chemistry.
Physics:—Sound, Light and Heat, Magnetism and Electricity, General Physics.
Mathematics:—Pure and Applied, Calculus, Conic Sections, etc.

(b) MODERN STUDIES AND LATIN:

HISTORY:—

The study of English Political and Social history since 1603. The works of standard historians are read and supplemented by the results of recent research.
The study of Modern European History.
The study, in detail, of the causes and course of the French Revolution.

FRENCH:—

Language and Literature.

The detailed study of some of the great French writers of the Romantic Period.
Special emphasis on oral training.

ENGLISH:—

A general course on the whole of English Literature.

Detailed study of some of Shakespeare's plays and of the period of the Romantic Revival.
The structure and history of the English Language, with special reference to the works of Chaucer.

GERMAN:—

Language and Literature.

Opportunity for the special study of selected standard authors.

LATIN:—

Language and Literature.

Prose writers and poets of the Augustan age.

Roman History.

Effect of Roman civilisation on Modern conditions.

At the end of the advanced course the Higher Schools Examination of the University of London is taken. This qualifies for Intermediate Science or Arts, but for the latter Latin must be taken.

PHYSICAL 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) 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 Cadet Corps holds its own camp each year.
- (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 or owned 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 *Supplementary Scholarships* each year, for boys between 12 and 13 on 31st of July. They give Free Education and an annual Maintenance Grant. The Examination is held in November and the scholarships are tenable from the September following.
- (3) *Intermediate County Scholarships*. These are obtained by passing the London University Matriculation or the London University General School Examination, which is held at the 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 *Science and Engineering Colleges*, or at the *Hospitals*, are gained 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.
- (6) The *Dawnay Scholarship* for boys becoming Engineers.

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 sanctioned by the Board of Education. Terms and particulars on application.

VIII. SCHOOL HOURS AND HOLIDAYS.

Morning School: 8.50 to 12.7.

Afternoon School: 1.30 to 3.50.

Saturday is a whole holiday, except for boys required for detention.

The School Year is divided into three terms, averaging 13 weeks each; with three weeks holiday at Christmas, three weeks at Easter, and the long summer vacation.

IX. HOME WORK.

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.

X. MEALS AT SCHOOL.

A limited number of hot mid-day meals are supplied. Any boy may bring his lunch and use a special room, which is in the charge of a prefect.

XI. 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. On returning to School boys must bring a medical certificate stating the nature of the illness.
- (3) No boy may attend School from a house in which there is, or recently has been, any infectious disease; nor may he return to School from such a house without a medical certificate stating that he can do so without risk of infection.
- (4) No boy can be excused from attendance for any reason except illness. Failure to comply with this rule may occasion the withdrawal of the scholar.

XII. FEES.

There are two scales of fees:—

For boys whose parents reside IN THE LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL AREA. In these cases the fees charged depend on the age of admission.

AGE OF ADMISSION.

AGE.	ANNUAL FEE.	10 years.	11 years.	12 years.	13 years.	14 years.	15 years.
10-11	}	£13 15 0	£13 15 0				
11-12		£13 15 0	£13 15 0				
12-13		£16 5 0	£16 5 0	£16 15 0			
13-14		£16 5 0	£16 5 0	£16 15 0	£18 15 0		
14-15		£16 5 0	£16 5 0	£16 15 0	£18 15 0	£20 15 0	
15-16		£16 5 0	£16 5 0	£16 15 0	£18 15 0	£20 15 0	£20 15 0
16-17		£10 15 0	£10 15 0	£12 15 0	£16 15 0	£20 15 0	£20 15 0
17-18		£5 15 0	£5 15 0	£6 15 0	£10 15 0	£20 15 0	£20 15 0

- (a) For two brothers a reduction of £1 a Term on the joint fee.
For three brothers a reduction of £2 a Term on the joint fee.
- (b) The Fees shown in the above tabular statement include the Games Fee which still remains at 5/- per term.
- (c) All fees are payable to Barclays Bank, Clapham Junction Branch, during the first week of the term, and must be accompanied by the proper form.
- (d) Each boy on admission will be given a card showing his fees during the whole of his school life. A duplicate of this card is kept at School.
- (e) The above Fees cover all subjects of instruction, and the use of all educational equipment (including stationery) necessary for those subjects, except most of the printed books and mathematical instruments.
- (f) There are three terms in the year and the fees are charged each term.

Before a pupil is admitted an agreement must be signed by his parents, to the effect that the pupil shall not be withdrawn before the July following his sixteenth birthday, without the sanction of the Governors.

The Governors require a half-term's notice of the withdrawal of a pupil, or the payment of half a term's fee.

The Governors also require that all boys attending the School shall wear the School Cap. This may be obtained at the School at a charge of 3/6, plus 1/- deposit, which is returnable.

For boys whose parents reside OUTSIDE the London County Council area, the following fees have been authorised by the Board of Education until the London County Council agree to ordinary fees being charged:—

From 1st April, 1923 to 31st March, 1924	...	£32 16 0	per annum.
" 1st April, 1924 to 31st March, 1925	...	£34 4 0	"
" 1st April, 1925 to 31st March, 1926	...	£35 12 0	"
" 1st April, 1926 onwards	...	£37 0 0	"