ST. MARY'S HALL, BRIGHTON.

Founded 1836.

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A Church of England Independent
Public School for Girls.

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History.

St. Mary's Hall was founded by the Rev. Henry Venn Elliott in 1836 as a boarding school for the Daughters of Clergymen only. In 1920 it was enlarged to admit other girls and now provides accommodation for 150 boarders and about 100 day girls. There is a Kindergarten for girls and boys over 4 and under 7. The Hall stands in its own gardens on high ground facing the sea There are five playing fields including two hockey and cricket pitches, sixteen grass tennis courts and two hard courts, which are used for netball during the winter terms. The gardens are very attractive and there is a large kitchen garden which provides much of the fruit and vegetables for the school.

Buildings.

The Buildings comprise:-

- 1. The Hall, which contains the Elliott Hall, Studio, Library, Form Rooms, Kindergarten, Music and practising Rooms, Science Laboratories, Dining Room, Lecture Room, Cloakrooms.
 - 2. The three Boarding Houses:
 Babington, 3 Chichester Terrace.
 Elliott House, 22 Sussex Square.
 St. Hilary, 2 Sussex Square.
 - 3. The School Sanatorium.

Aim.

The aim of the school is to give a liberal education to girls, which will enable them to qualify for a career and, at the same time, stimulate in them interests which will help them to live a full and useful life.

The religious teaching of the school is in accordance with that of the Church of England.

Great care is given to the health of the girls. No late evening work or work before breakfast is allowed. Health.

Gymnastics and the outdoor games, Lacrosse, Hockey, Netball, Cricket and Tennis, are taught by fully qualified mistresses, and every precaution is taken to guard against overstrain. In the Summer Term, boarders have the opportunity of sea-bathing under careful supervision. At the beginning of each term new pupils are medically examined by Dr. Constance Beynon, and if special remedial exercises are prescribed, they are given at a very moderate fee.

Each boarding house has a Sick Room for minor ailments for which the House Matron is responsible. Illnesses are nursed by a resident trained nurse at the School Sanatorium. Parents of girls removed to the Sanatorium are immeddiately informed of the fact and are sent a daily report of progress. In the case of serious illness or epidemics, involving either the calling in of nurses from outside or removal to a nursing home or public Sanatorium, the expenses incurred must be met by the parents of patients.

Medical and Dental Certificates are required on admission. A Health Certificate is sent with the report at the end of each term and a Dental Certificate at the end of the Summer Term. No girl may return to school without having her certificate satisfactorily filled up. After exposure to infection a medical certificate must be posted to the House Mistress at least two days before the proposed date of return.

Medical Certificates. Subjects of Study.

The school course includes Religious Knowledge, English, History, Geography, Latin, Greek, French, German, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Zoology, Botany, Class Singing, Aural Training, Drawing and Painting, Needlework, Gymnastics. Nearly all the girls in the Upper Fifth Forms take the School Certificate Examination. The VI Form work is based on the Higher Certificate syllabus for girls proceeding to the University, but facilities are also given for specialising in Music and Art. The VI Form course includes Religious Knowledge, an Essay Class, Current Events, Class Singing, Gymnastics, Drawing and Painting. Girls are prepared for University Scholarship and Entrance examinations, for the first Medical examinations and for admission to the Colleges of Music and Art.

Terms of Admission.

Application for admission should be made on the forms to be obtained from the School Secretary.

Entrance Examination. Before admission girls are expected to show by means of an examination that they have an adequate knowledge of English and Arithmetic. Papers are set in French for girls over 11 and in Latin, Algebra and Geometry for girls over 14. These papers may be worked at the pupil's home or school.

The normal age for admission is between 7 and 14. Girls are admitted over 15 years of age only in exceptional cases.

There is a morning Kindergarten for children over 4 and under 7.

A Registration Fee of one guinea is payable when a girl's name is definitely entered.

The School Year begins in September and ends in July. There are four weeks' holiday at Christmas, four at Easter and eight in the Summer.

At the beginning and end of each term, an escort is provided from and to Victoria Station. It is not possible to provide an escort from or to other London stations.

There is generally a half-term exeat from Saturday to Monday each term, but except at this time, girls are allowed to sleep away from the school only in cases of special urgency or importance.

The school is recognised and from time to time inspected by the Ministry of Education.

Girls may occasionally be taken out by relations and friends on Saturdays (12.40-6) and on three Sundays in the term, from 12.40 until 6.15. Visitors are asked to obtain permission from the Housemistresses before taking girls to cinemas or other places of public entertainment. No eatables may be sent to girls during term time or brought from home, with the exception of birthday cakes.

The Head Mistress is at home to parents and visitors on Tuesday afternoons from 2-4, and at other times by appointment only.

BOARDERS
DAY GIRLS (over 12) ... (under 12) ...
Mid-day dinner for daygirls
KINDERGARTEN (morning school only) ...

3 guineas per term. 10 guineas per term.

50 guineas per term.

19 guineas per term.

16 guineas per term.

Terms.

Inspection and Examination.

Visitors.

Fees

A reduction of 1 guinea per term on the second member of a family and 2 guineas per term on the third and succeeding members is made while they are at school together.

All these fees are payable in advance.

These fees are inclusive except for optional extra subjects, and cover tuition in all school subjects, including Gymnastics, Class Singing, Musical Appreciation and Aural Training, Drawing and Painting; Stationery; Games; Use of the Sanatorium, Board, usual Laundry for Boarders. All these fees are payable in advance.

There will be extra charges for tuition in solo instruments, elocution, dancing, orchestra, also for books, mathematical instruments, needlework and craft materials, for special nursing, operations, and specialists.

Extra Subjects.

Pianoforte from 3 guineas per term, Violin, Violoncello, Solo Singing each 4 guineas per term. ... Crafts ... 2 guineas per term. Painting 3 guineas per term. ... Elocution 3 guineas per term. Dancing (not in Summer ... 2 guineas per term. term) Ballet Dancing 3 guineas per term. Remedial Exercises from ½ guinea per term. Riding, at the rate of 7/6 per hour's lesson.

If it is desired that a pupil should discontinue an extra subject, notice in writing to this effect must be given before the beginning of the last week of the previous term. Cheques and Money Orders, etc., in payment of School bills should be made payable to and crossed Barclays Bank, Ltd., North Street, Brighton.

Payment.

Pocket money must be sent separately, to be banked with each girl's House Mistress. The sum of £1 10s. 0d. is quite sufficient for the actual needs of the term.

In the case of a girl whose parents live outside the British Isles, a guardian resident in England is required, who will be responsible for holidays, fees, clothes, etc., and will take charge of her if, through ill-health or any other cause, she should be removed from the school.

Any girl whose fees are in arrears is subject to removal at the discretion of the Trustees.

Notice of the intention to remove a pupil at the end of any term must be given in writing before the end of the first week of the term, otherwise the payment of the fees for the following term will be required.

The Trustees reserve the right of requiring the withdrawal of a girl for any cause which they shall deem reasonable, without necessarily assigning the cause.

Parents are urged to adopt the scheme of insurance of school fees, particulars of which are sent to the parents of all new girls and which may be obtained at any time from the School Secretary.

Fees are not remitted on account of ill-health or forced absence.

Withdrawal.

Insurance of School Fees in case of sickness or accident. School Uuiform. Full particulars of the necessary outfit will be supplied on application to any of the House Matrons.

RAILWAY STATION ... Brighton Central.

Omnibus ... No. 7 or 7a from Station or No. 1 or 3 from the Town to St. Mark's Church.

TELEPHONE ... Brighton 8264.