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Reference code: GB 214 ESEC65

Title: CITY OF CARDIFF HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS

Date(s) 1905-1971

Level of description: Fonds (level 2)

Extent: 3 boxes; 13 vols.; 0.12 cubic metres

Name of creator City of Cardiff High School for Boys

Administrative/Biographical history

The school opened in September 1898 in temporary premises on Newport Road, Cardiff, under the terms of the Welsh Intermediate Education Act 1889, hence its initial name of the Cardiff Intermediate School for Boys, changed in 1911 to City of Cardiff High School for Boys. From 1905 Secondary School education in Cardiff was largely provided through a system of Municipal Secondary Schools (Howard Gardens established in 1898, Canton from 1907, and Cathays) organised under the Education Act 1902 and High Schools (Cardiff High School for Girls opened in 1895 and Cardiff High School for Boys) but both High Schools suffered in comparison with the Municipal Secondary Schools because of their entrance examinations and particularly their fees which were abolished in the Municipal Secondary Schools in 1924. Many working class children were deterred by these restrictions, only partly made up by scholarships and bursaries, and by the 'Grammar School' regime and curriculum. Cardiff High Boys School also suffered acute problems with its constricted site on Newport Road. The intention was to build a new school on a new site acquired in 1901 on the corner of Corbett Road and Park Place, in Cathays, but the school eventually stayed on its original site, with a new school opened in 1910 and further extensions in 1931-32. Both High Schools were amalgamated in 1970 with Tŷ Celyn Secondary School in Llandennis Road, Cardiff. The Newport Road site was eventually sold to fund an extension to Willows High School in Tremorfa, Cardiff. The history of the school is described in 'Towards the light. The story of Cardiff High School for Boys: 1898-1970' by Walter King (Llanharan 1970).

Scope and content

Appraisal, destruction and scheduling information

All records offered have been accepted and listed

Conditions governing access

Open Access

Items containing information on named Individuals may be closed in accordance with the Data Protection Act, but access may be given to such records in accordance with Record Office policy

Conditions governing reproduction

Normal Glamorgan Record Office conditions apply.

Language/Scripts of material

Physical characteristics and technical requirements

Fair condition

Finding aids

Detailed list available.

List compiled April 2002

Related units of description

School magazines, 1950-1971 (reference DX255/1/1-20)

Records of City of Cardiff High School for Girls (reference ESEC66)

Note

Date(s) of descriptions

April 2002

Admissions registers

[Arranged alphabetically recording name of pupil, number, initial of father or mother, address, date of admission, and date of leaving; registers from 1946 also include name of previous school and cause of leaving]

ESEC65/1/1.	Admissions register (no. 1)	1905-1911
ESEC65/1/2.	[Not deposited; apparently missing]	[1912-1916]
ESEC65/1/3.	Admissions register (no. 3)	1917-1931
ESEC65/1/4.	Same (no. 4)	1932-1942
ESEC65/1/5.	Same (no. 5)	1943-1946
ESEC65/1/6.	Same (no. 6)	1946-1954
ESEC65/1/7.	Same (no. 7)	1954-1966
ESEC65/1/8.	Same (no. 8)	1967-1981

[7 vols.]

Admissions registers

[Arranged numerically recording name, name of father or guardian, address, dates of birth, admission and leaving, form on admission and leaving, boarder or day scholar, terms kept, address, occupation of father, place of previous education, tuition fees paid, examinations passed, scholarship or exhibition, place of Further Education]

ESEC65/2/1.	Admissions register (nos. 753-1799)	1905-1920
ESEC65/2/2.	Same (nos. 898-1199; many numbers are missing)	1917-1920
ESEC65/2/3.	Same (nos. 1197-1488)	1920-1922
ESEC65/2/4.	[Not deposited; apparently missing (nos. 489-1776)]	
ESEC65/2/5.	Admissions register (nos. 1777-2076)	1925-1928

[4 vols.; ESEC65/2/1 is very fragile]

ESEC65/3.	Register of entrants [Recording name, school number, parents' initials, address, dates of birth, admission and leaving, place or occupation]	1932-1942
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[1 vol.]

ESEC65/4.	Minutes book of The Literary, Debating and Dramatic Society	1931-1953
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[1 vol.]

ESEC65/5.	Head Master's petty cash book	1911-1955
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[1 vol.]

Pupils' record cards

c.1953-1965

[Arranged alphabetically, including name, address, and name of father or guardian, form, house, school activities, testimonials, dates of birth, entry and leaving, and examinations, with photograph; some photographs are missing]

ESEC65/6/1. Surnames A-K
ESEC65/6/2. Surnames L-Z

[2 boxes]