

A History of Fairy Hall



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outgrown its premises.

The school was fortunate that the new property became available, and bought it from the Royal BUj U`GWcc`Zcf`œ, \$\$z`ÜbU`mia cj]b[`hc`h`Y`bYk` premises in 1912. At that time the school had cb`m`j`Yfm`]a`]h`Y`d`Um]b[!`ÜY`Xg``C`bW`]bghU`YX` in their new site, the new owners SSM decided to keep the name Eltham College. Since then numerous additions have been made to the fabric of the school, including a sports centre, a theatre, a modern library, new modern language facilities, a design and technology centre and most recently the conversion of the boarding house into the Music School.



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gi ZUVYbh' bi a VYfg' cZ' di d]g' hc' VY' j]UV`Yz' gc' cdYbYX`]hg`Xccfg`hc`h`Y`gcbg`cZgYUa`Ybž`UbX`ÜbU`m` to the sons of gentlemen. To encourage wider UVMYggž`]h`k`Ug`cZUVU`m`fY`bUa`YX`9`h`Ua`7`c`Y[`Y` in 1904, although that name had been used on some school documents as early as 1892. The dining-hall and the swimming pool were already present when the Royal Naval School purchased the property, and before they moved in, they built a chemical lab, a lecture room and a covered gym fbck`h`Y`G]`h`:`cfa`7YbhfY£`5`bYk`ÜU[`ghUZZ`k`Ug` brought from the fortress of Kars, besieged by the Russians in the Crimean War, and permission k`Ug`[`j`Yb`hc`Üm`h`Y`K`\\]h`9bg][`b`BYj`Yfh`Y`Yggž` lack of support meant that the Royal Naval School was forced to close in 1910.

The present Eltham College originates from the School for the Sons of Missionaries, dating back to 1842. The school was based in Blackheath from 1857 and by the turn of the century had

The NEW S.S.M.



ELTHAM COLLEGE, MOTTINGHAM KENT.

“The Members of the S.S.M. OLD BOY'S ASSOCIATION, having heard with pleasure of the proposed purchase and equipment of Eltham College for S.S.M., give the Committee their hearty support and pledge themselves to do their utmost in raising a sum of, at least, £1000 as their contribution to the cost.”

S.S.M. OLD BOY'S ASSOCIATION.

October, 1910.



