

PROSPECTUS



THE ABBEY SCHOOL
FORT AUGUSTUS

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DURING the fourteen hundred years of its existence the Benedictine Order has been concerned with the education of youth, and the results accomplished during that long history of academic achievement need no emphasis.

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The aim of the Abbey School is to preserve the ideals of Benedictine education : to foster that happy and cultured atmosphere most congenial to the training of character and the pursuit of learning. Assistance at daily Mass in a special chapel adjacent to the School, a careful course in religious instruction, continual contact with the Benedictine Community, together with a well-balanced curriculum of studies and every facility for games and sports coalesce to produce and develop a strong, Catholic and generous character.

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The School is situated at the south end of Loch Ness, in the midst of magnificent Highland scenery, and, half-way between Inverness and Fort William, lies in the very heart of the Great Glen of Scotland. This position leaves the School readily accessible by means of a frequent bus service between Inverness and Fort William ; the buses being run to link the railway stations at Inverness and at Spean Bridge.

The physical background of mountain and loch, the remarkably pure air (sufficiently attested by the splendid health of the boys), and the mild climate tempered from the Atlantic make Fort Augustus an ideal spot for that all-round training of youth which is the keynote of Benedictine tradition.

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The School Staff consists of Honour Graduates—monks and laymen. The boys are prepared for the Scottish Leaving Certificate. The curriculum has been drawn up under the supervision of the Scottish Education Department and the School is regularly visited by H.M. Inspectors. Since the School is small in numbers—a maximum of a hundred—special tuition can be given not only to the backward, but also to those who can attempt high distinction and university scholarships.

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The School buildings are extensive and fully equipped for modern educational requirements. Special provision has been made for games and other recreational activities. The playing fields consist of two cricket grounds (one of which is considered to be the finest in the North), three rugby fields, hockey ground, and tennis court. There is an excellent new swimming-pool and a boat-house containing rowing-boats, whalers, and a motor-boat. Instruction is given in swimming, rowing and boxing; physical training is provided for in the gymnasium. Dramatic and musical entertainments as well as film shows are given in the School theatre; and the libraries are used for debates and civics.

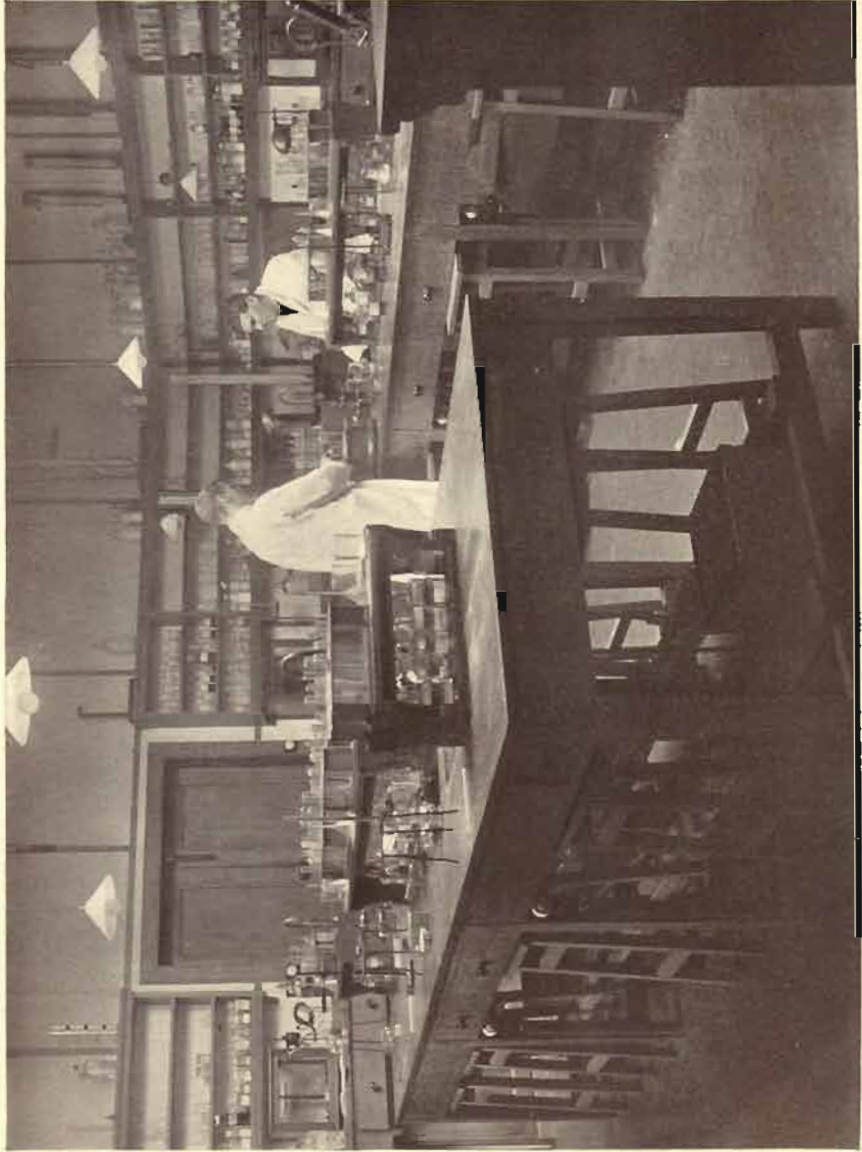
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The School Magazine, published once a term, is largely composed of articles by the boys who are given every encouragement to literary production.

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THE SCHOOL TOWER.



SCIENCE LABORATORY



NORTH REFECTORY.



PART OF CENTRE DORMITORY.



STUDY HALL.



SENIOR BILLIARD ROOM.



JUNIOR RECREATION ROOM.



SCHOOL CRICKET FIELD.



SCHOOL SWIMMING POOL AND LOCH NESS.

The general health of the boys is under the care of the School Matron (a fully qualified nurse) and her assistants. The local doctor regularly visits the School several times a week.

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The food is plain, of excellent quality and generously plentiful, the vegetables are fresh and home-grown. The diet is carefully varied and so arranged that growing boys may obtain the maximum of nourishment, find continuous variety and attraction in the dishes, and enjoy an abundant supply.

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Central heating obtains throughout the School. Night accommodation is provided for in large airy dormitories where each boy has a separate cubicle. There is an ever-ready supply of hot and cold water to all the wash-basins, baths and sprays.

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The School year consists of three terms—September to December, January to Easter, and Easter to July. At the end of each term the Headmaster sends a report on the health, progress and conduct of each boy. The Vacations comprise three weeks at Christmas and at Easter, and eight weeks at midsummer.

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Boys from their twelfth year of age who are recommended by the school last attended are eligible for admission. Before the withdrawal of a boy from the School a term's notice is required, but the Headmaster reserves the right of resigning the charge of any boy whose conduct or progress does not prove to be satisfactory.

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The fees of the School are ~~£60~~ per term for board and tuition ; they cover also all normal expenses such as books, laundry, medical attendance, etc. They do not, however, include such optional extras as music, or fees for public examinations or exceptional medical attendance.

The address of our Preparatory School is :
CARLEKEMP PRIORY SCHOOL
NORTH BERWICK

