

but Pupils are admitted for any portion of that time into any Form for which, upon examination, they are found qualified.

The Session, which is divided into four equal Terms, commences on the 1st September, and with the exception of a week at Christmas and three days at Easter, continues to the 1st July.

The full School hours are from Nine to half-past Twelve, a.m., and from Two to Four, p.m., every day in the week except Saturday, but the time for the youngest boys is shorter by an hour each day.

The School is divided into seven Forms. The Junior of these is a Lower School in which young boys receive the preparatory training necessary to fit them for the commencement of the regular Curriculum.

For admission into this Form, it is required that the Pupil shall have attained the age of seven years, and be able to read moderately well. Regular early training is of so great importance that the entrance of a pupil should not be delayed beyond the age of nine. The best time for entrance is at the commencement of the Session, when, owing to the promotions that take place, the classes are remodelled for the year.

The First, Second and Third Forms, next above the Preparatory, constitute the Middle School. The pupils of these Forms are not allowed any option in their studies, but must take all the course of instruction prescribed for them. The Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Forms compose the Upper School. The Pupils of these are divided into two "Sides." The "Classical Side" is adapted for those boys who for any reason desire a more extended and accurate knowledge of the Ancient Languages. The "Commercial Side" is intended for those who are to enter upon mercantile pursuits where high classical attainments may be dispensed with. When a Pupil has reached the Fourth Form, his Parent or Guardian may select either of these sides for him, but, the choice having been made, the Pupil must pursue all the course of instruction appointed for the side to which he belongs.

A weekly Report is sent to the Parent or Guardian of any Pupil who has been absent, negligent of any study, or incorrect in his conduct. A semi-Quarterly Report is made of the progress, attendance and conduct of every Pupil, and a Quarterly Report of the same, shewing further his rank in his Form for each study.

At the end of each Term, Class Examinations are held, both Written and Oral, and at the close of the Session a Public Examination takes place, followed by a Distribution of Prizes and Award of Honours to the deserving, the lists being published. The Highest Honour of the School is the Davidson Gold Medal, which is awarded to the Head Boy of the School for the year, provided the Examiners are satisfied that his attainments reach a certain standard.

The Pupils are required to prepare themselves every evening in their work for the ensuing day, as exhibited in a Time-table. As