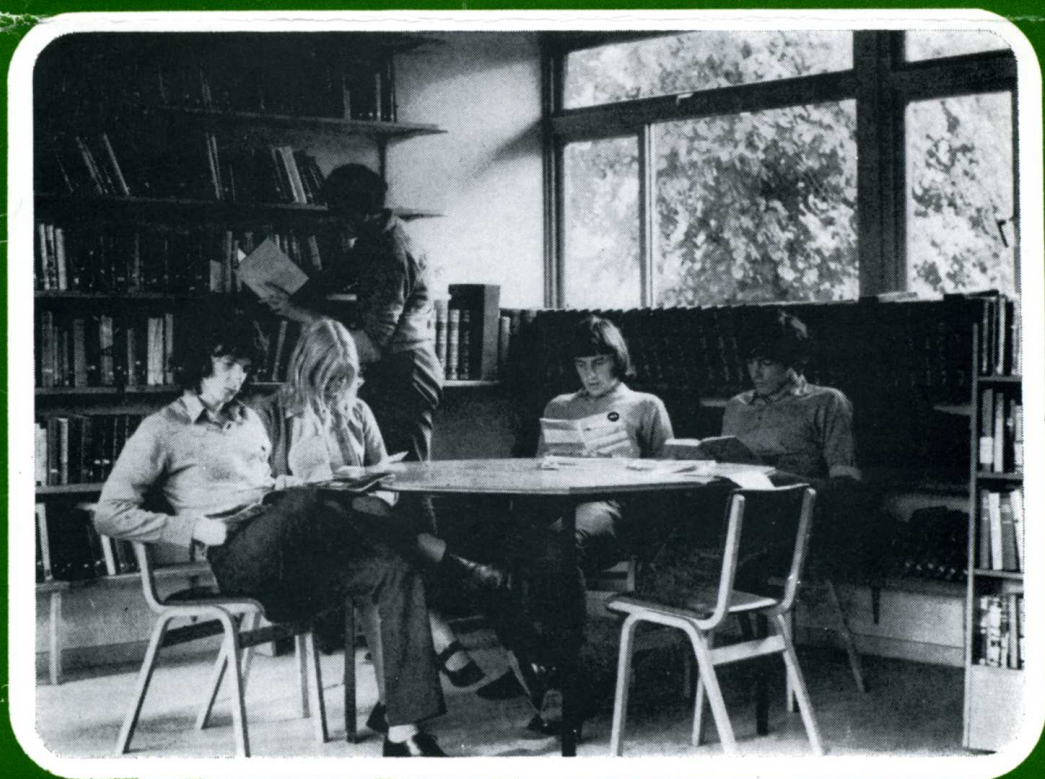


# LENDRICK MUIR SCHOOL



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Lendrick Muir is a residential special school, grant-aided by the Scottish Education Department, for secondary age children with special educational needs, with a small number of places for pupils in the Primary 6 to 7 age range. Situated in pleasant country, it lies one mile north-west of Crook-of-Devon and one mile north-east of Rumbling Bridge, on a lane off the A823 road from Dunfermline to Crieff. The Glasgow-Stirling-St. Andrews bus stops at the lane end.

There are two residential houses: the main building, which can accommodate 60 boys, and a house at Rumbling Bridge for up to 20 pupils (girls and younger boys). The grounds include about 60 acres of meadow, wood and moor, providing ample room for games, athletics, field studies and other outdoor activities. There is an integrated modern block of fully equipped classrooms including a large sports-hall and general workshop. A refurbished stable block provides accommodation for Youth Club activities.

The Headmaster is responsible for the running of the school. So that individual needs may be met, there is a generous ratio of staff to pupils. All teachers are registered with the General Teaching Council of Scotland. Most are graduate specialists in secondary subjects. Whenever possible staff are seconded for a year's training in special education. Pupils are prepared for 'O' grades, Highers, the Certificate of Sixth Year Studies or C.S.E. as appropriate. Younger pupils are especially welcomed so that individualised foundation teaching can be given.



The school provides facilities for hockey, cricket, football and tennis. Other leisure-time activities include hill-climbing, cycling, swimming, fishing and canoeing, and all types of indoor games and pastimes. Suitable pupils are trained for Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

Arrangements can be made for Episcopalians, Catholics and Presbyterians to worship in their own churches. Morning Assembly in school is undenominational.

The physical health of the children is in the hands of a local doctor and the Matron, supplemented by the assistance of the resident Deputy Headmaster's wife who is an S.R.N. Pupils are also helped by housemothers and a Senior Social Worker based on the school. Visits from supporting professionals (such as Psychiatrists, Psychologists or Social Workers) are very welcome, particularly to join our internal reviews of pupils at which we are fortunate to have with us on a monthly basis Dr. W. J. Blachford Rogers, formerly Consultant Psychiatrist at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh. He has also kindly agreed to offer on these visits consultation to staff and pupils should this be requested.

The selection of pupils is made by a sub-committee of the school's Advisory Committee. Candidates for admission are normally expected to be able to follow a course leading to one or more of the examinations mentioned previously. In general we are interested in any child with sufficient personality strengths to profit from the school's programmes and whose best interest is not served by continuing residence in his or her local community. The school cannot, however, provide for seriously behaviourally disturbed or psychotic children, habitual delinquents, nor for those who are sexually promiscuous. On the other hand, children with physical handicaps which can easily be managed (e.g. diabetics or epileptics) can be considered provided they have other special educational needs.

All candidates must be sponsored by Education Authorities who accept full responsibility for fees. Application by Authorities for admission must be accompanied by psychiatric, social work, school and Child Guidance Service reports. Appropriate forms are obtainable from the Headmaster, to whom they should be returned on completion. An informal approach, however, may always be made beforehand. Enquiries from Social Work Departments, Children's Panels, Reporters and Psychiatrists are particularly welcome.

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