



PMS History Centre and Archives

managed and curated by the
Perth Modernian Society Historical and Museum Committee

Who are we?

The **first PMS Museum** had its own room in the original School building designed by Hillson Beasley. Since 1913 an Ex-students Reunion has been held at Perth Modern School. This took various forms over the years depending on the interests of those involved. The early **Ex-students Association** set about raising funds for the war effort and then the War Memorial which was unveiled in 1922.

Eventually incorporated as the **Old Modernians Association** the organisation set about organising an annual Ex-Students day of sports events to perform against the PMS teams culminating in a social event in the evening. Unfortunately this organisation faded during the 1950s, but it left a legacy of the Scholarship era which eventually sprang into life again in future years.

In 1974 Headmaster Joseph Stokes with interested staff and former students established the **Perth Modern School Historical Society**. This organisation gathered information and memorabilia, and undertook 'good deeds' around the School. In 1995 the **Perth Modernian Society** was established along with the **Sphinx Foundation** as its separately incorporated vehicle to raise funds for the publication of a school history in time for the School Centenary celebrations. The Historical Society became a Committee of the association.

With the re-introduction of academic scholarships, came new buildings and space for an archive room for the storage of school records. In 2009 a room was offered to the Historical and Museum Committee which has become a workroom and display space. The **PMS History Centre and Archives** are where you will find former staff and students volunteering their time to preserve and explore the history of Perth Modern School today, managed and curated by **the Historical and Museum Committee**.