

History of Methodist Girls' School

A Long Story and a legacy of fine traditions ... A little shophouse, a small need, a big vision - and Methodist Girls' School was founded.

Miss Sophia Blackmore stepped out in simple faith with the support of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in America to start MGS back in 1887.



By 1925, the school along Short Street, with an enrolment of one hundred and fifty students, was overcrowded and she moved to Mount Sophia where she remained until 1992.



In January 1989, MGS (Secondary) became independent. In 1992, MGS moved to her new site at Blackmore Drive - the road proudly bearing the name of the school's founder. This marked yet another step in the journey towards providing facilities for the total education of the students so that they might be prepared to meet the challenges of tomorrow.



Life in MGS

CHAPEL AND DAILY DEVOTIONS

MGS is special because of its spiritual emphasis. The chapel services and daily devotions before the start of each school day rejuvenate the students and teachers, reminding us that in the midst of all the hustle and bustle, we have God to lean on.

The love that abounds in the school reaches out to everybody, such that regardless of nationality, race or religion, all girls feel valued and loved.

PASTORAL CARE AND CAREER GUIDANCE



... the balanced programmes of the school produce well-adjusted girls ...

The basic 3Rs are still taught, and our girls receive a firm grounding in the fundamentals. At the same time, we have not forgotten to give our girls the chance to appreciate both beauty and technology.

We have also held true to the belief that theory must be supplemented by practical application. Field trips are organised in order to reinforce what is learnt in school.

We have also not restricted the education of our girls to the shores of Singapore. While we ventured out more cautiously in the past, today our girls experience life further afield through immersion programmes in China and Taiwan and educational trips abroad. The world, indeed, has become our oyster.

PCCG has always been an integral part of MGS. A holistic education allows each pupil to develop her potential to the fullest. Along the way, the class teacher and a team of trained counsellors provide encouragement and support - academic, spiritual and emotional.

For Secondary Ones, there is an introductory orientation camp and the Peer Support Programme, which make the transition to Secondary school a more comfortable one.

Secondary Twos have the Family Night - where parents are invited for dinner and entertainment to foster better family unity and understanding of what their daughters do in school.

The Secondary Threes' Pastoral Care camp develops their team-building and leadership skills, sense of responsibility and confidence through indoor and outdoor activities.

Secondary Fours enjoy Careers Week with its exhibitions, talks, career videos and introduction to Junior College and Polytechnic life.



VOLUNTARY WORK

In MGS, our girls are immersed in a culture of love and charity. Part of the total education involves the inculcation of moral values that build strength of character. That is why we place a strong emphasis on giving and sharing, not just among members of our school, but within the wider community.

Through our work in homes for the aged, the physically disabled and the intellectually impaired, as well as donating 'white gifts' at Christmas time, our girls have developed a better understanding of how they can be a light for those in need.

Godly women of Excellence with a heart of Love