

Programme boosts girls business skills

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Encouraging entrepreneurship is just one of a number of initiatives already launched by the new headmaster at a Regent's Park school.

Charles Fillingham, formerly deputy head at City of London School for Boys, joined in January 2016 as the first headmaster in Francis Holland's 138-year history. The Entrepreneurship Fortnight programme of events offers girls coaching in public speaking by specialists; networking with organisations such as Hub Dot and

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Entrepreneurship Fortnight gives Francis Holland pupil's public speaking and networking opportunities

access to invaluable advice from supporters of small businesses such as Five Talents UK and individual entrepreneurs, including Francis Holland's own alumnae.

Mr Fillingham said: "The global workplace is rapidly changing and we want to give girls the opportunity to find out about many career options. Entrepreneurship Fortnight features inspirational men and women who have a wealth of experience to share and we are delighted they have joined our programme."

Speakers with experience in law, strategic consulting, banking, emerging technologies, recruitment technology, global advertising and PR are included.

This programme follows the highly successful Women of Influence lecture series which featured a number of eminent speakers and enabled FHS pupils of all ages to share in the experiences of a wide range of women in a variety of careers.

Francis Holland believes in developing initiative and leadership skills to prepare girls for their future lives at the same time as achieving academic success. Pupils this summer achieved excellent A-level results, with 89.1% per cent A*-B and 56.3 per cent A*-A grades.

Five students gained straight A*s in their three A-levels; Xiushi Li, Imani Strangeway Al Sayigh, Hannah Badawi-Crook, Arisa Loomba and Jean Watt are now studying at Oxford, Cambridge, Bristol, Warwick and Leeds respectively.

Two FHS students headed to the US; Sawyer Eaton to Tufts University in Massachusetts and Georgia Young to the University of Miami in Florida. Every year pupils go on to top UK and US universities reading a range of subjects from humanities through to the sciences.

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