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## SCHOOLS GUIDE 2026 Review

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*Ivor Place NW1 6XR*

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*Head Katharine Woodcock, since  
2022; previously head of Sydenham  
High School Pupils 571 day girls*

*Ages 11–18 Term Fees £10,338*

*Bursaries Variable, up to 100%*

*Alumni Actress Amanda Donohoe,  
entrepreneur Grace Beverley, former  
Conservative MP Theresa Villiers*

'Behind the scenes, she's involved with strategic work for the school at a high executive level,' says one parent about head Katharine Woodcock. 'But she is also on the ground, be that watching the rehearsal of a musical, cheering on a hockey team or trying a cake made in a home economics class.' Students concur: 'Her approach fosters a supportive and inclusive environment where everyone feels heard and appreciated,' says one. This sense of community is underpinned by the thriving house structure and the packed schedule of events, from their very own Eurovision Song Contest to the mini-marathon in Regent's Park. The latter provides the location for a great deal of sporting activity – as do the facilities at Paddington Recreation Ground – and while pupils are known for competing in such pursuits as cross country, skiing and hockey, cricket has also grown in popularity. (So too has football, perhaps thanks to the training provided by Chelsea FC coaches.) In other news, the eco society has made a real impact and become crucial in the drive to become carbon neutral by 2030, while an inaugural TEDx event saw eight Lower-sixth students deliver some stirring speeches based on their dreams for the future. The Helen McCrory Studio Theatre provides a wonderful space for girls to tread the boards; those drawn to the technical workings of the stage can avail themselves of excellent AV equipment; and as part of an extensive schedule of works, pupils have been involved in drawing up plans for a new library that will foster collaboration and creativity.