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Francis Holland School has an outstanding and enviable reputation for academic success, with an excellent culture of pastoral care woven into the fabric of our community. At Francis Holland, we strive to ignite a lifelong love of learning, delivering a well-rounded, and forward-thinking education that sets our pupils up for life.

Steeped in a rich history and heritage, the School has a long-standing tradition of excellence stretching back to 1878 and the girls enjoy happy, successful and fulfilling school days. The School's values, Knowledge, Compassion, Spirit and Perseverance, underpin the ethos of the School, enabling the girls to flourish in an ambitious and supportive educational environment.

Our location and surroundings, with our wonderful proximity to Regent's Park, as well as our extensive wider links beyond the School gates, help to strengthen our aspiration to achieve. The School is an exciting and busy place, with a wealth of challenging and inspirational opportunities on offer.

Francis Holland is an academic and kind school, where every girl has the chance to reach her fullest potential and be true to herself. Its unique charm and ethos set it apart and it is a warm, vibrant and happy place in which to learn. Our girls benefit from inspirational and outstanding teaching, equipping them with the necessary self-belief, adaptability and dexterity along the way to thrive in an ever-changing world.

I look forward to welcoming you to one of our Open Events, when you will be able to meet our remarkable pupils and see our wonderful school in action.

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Katharine Woodcock
Head





Dedicated teachers inspire pupils

to pursue the very highest academic standards. During the first three years, pupils follow a broad academic curriculum, which includes all three sciences, Latin and two foreign languages chosen from French, German, Spanish and Italian. IT is taught as an integral part of the curriculum. Support is available for girls who need help with learning strategies.

At GCSE, all students follow a core curriculum in addition to a wide range of optional subjects such as Classical Greek. Girls have a choice of more than twenty subjects at A level, including History of Art, Government and Politics, Drama and Theatre, Psychology and Religious Studies.



“Inspectors agree that the school balances academic success with well-being very effectively so that pupils can be successful, but also happy”

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The opportunity to participate in creative arts

is offered to every pupil. Music, Art and Drama flourish at Francis Holland with a great emphasis placed on the girls' musical development. The School has many orchestras, choirs, bands and ensembles. Most pupils play at least one instrument and in the spring term we stage our annual choral concert with Harrow School. In recent years our musicians and choristers have enjoyed trips to Prague, St Petersburg, Venice, Boston and Krakow.



Art is popular

and is taught in modern, well-equipped studios. Many different ideas and approaches are encouraged and aspects as diverse as life drawing, painting, ceramics, creative embroidery, fabric-printing and print-making are offered. Art is studied by all girls in their first three years and by many pupils at GCSE and A level.





Drama is taught throughout the School

with many girls taking Speech and Drama as extra lessons and Drama and Theatre as examination subjects. Participation is actively encouraged at every stage of a production and in addition to the school plays, there is an annual inter-house drama competition and pupils also write, direct and perform plays of their own.





Encouraging team spirit

through participation in sport is central to life at Francis Holland and Physical Education remains at the heart of the curriculum. As well as having Central London's largest outdoor sports facility in Regent's Park on our doorstep, we have our own indoor swimming pool and gymnasium. We offer an enormous range of activities such as netball, hockey, tennis, rounders, water-polo, swimming, gymnastics, volleyball and yoga.

Regular sporting tours are undertaken with our netball and hockey teams having recently enjoyed successful tours to South Africa and Malaysia and our swimming teams have competed in Malta, Cyprus and Mallorca.

In addition, senior girls have the opportunity to choose activities as diverse as canoeing, golf, scuba-diving, fencing and modern dance.





The Sixth Form is an exciting time

when students make decisions about university and their future lives. Sixth Formers have use of their own dedicated Sixth Form Centre, Linhope House, which features a large Common Room, a state-of-the-art Think Lab, and modern classrooms with integrated technology. An extensive range of academic subjects is available at A level and the School prides itself on its ability to offer a wide choice of subject combinations. All Sixth Form students follow a general curriculum which includes Current Affairs and Physical Education.

Beyond the curriculum, an array of academic enrichment opportunities are available designed to develop leadership skills, such as participating in voluntary work, attending or indeed founding co-curricular clubs, and there is also a weekly lecture programme given by a distinguished list of invited guest speakers.



Close to nature in Central London

Francis Holland enjoys a unique location adjacent to Regent's Park and makes full use of its extensive outdoor recreational facilities. The girls are able to enjoy the park's 395 acres on a daily basis and use its award-winning facilities for many outdoor clubs and activities.

You'll enjoy support and friendship

throughout your time at Francis Holland, Regent's Park, with visits, trips and tours forming an important part of our comprehensive co-curricular programme. Ski trips to the Alps and USA, geography trips to Iceland, history trips to Vietnam and Cambodia, classics trips to Italy, language trips to Europe and volunteer placements in Sri Lanka all provide opportunities for our pupils to experience different countries, cultures and societies and develop friendships outside the school environment that will often last a lifetime.

The School is actively committed to supporting its alumnae in their social and professional lives far beyond their time at Francis Holland.





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