

## A unique welcome back for new girls at Francis Holland, Regent's Park!

New Thirds (Year 7s) and Lower Sixths at Francis Holland School, Regent's Park were greeted with a vibrant and eclectic array of entertainment in celebration of the start of the new school year.



Truly in the spirit of Internationalism, Headmaster Charles Fillingham organised for a Mexican Mariachi Band to welcome the girls into school and a Caribbean Steel Band (plus ice-creams!) to serenade them on the way out; a suitably colourful, exuberant and friendly celebration which echoes the ethos of the school. We felt it was important to give the girls a really positive, warm welcome after such a difficult year.

The fundamental values of Francis Holland, Regent's Park are knowledge, compassion, spirit and perseverance- all of which are fostered and nurtured in the multi-faceted education girls receive all the way from 11 to 18.

In order to maintain and enhance the School's position as a leading academic day school, at Francis Holland learning, teaching and pastoral care are of the highest quality. This holistic education comprises a balanced and exciting curriculum, an extensive range of co-curricular trips and activities, an emphasis on creativity and analytical thought, moral and spiritual development and contribution to the wider community.

The success of this approach has been illustrated, as well of course as by the happiness of the girls and pleasant environment of the school, by the excellent academic results consistently achieved by FHS students in public exams. In Summer 2021, an exceptional 49% of A Level grades awarded were A\* and 96% A\*-B, while 91% of GCSE grades were A\*-A. Sixth Formers go on to take a variety of paths including Oxbridge and Russell Group universities, Art Foundations and Drama Courses and a variety of US and Canadian universities including NYU, Columbia, Georgetown, McGill and Northeastern.

The sky's the limit for FHS girls and what a fitting way to celebrate the beginning of another formative year of their education.

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