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Welcome to Francis Holland School, Regent's Park. Founded in 1878, by the Reverend Canon Francis Holland, the school provides a happy and supportive environment in which pupils can thrive, achieving academic success and fulfilling their potential as individuals.

We offer an academic curriculum, which is complemented by a wide and exciting range of extra-curricular opportunities. This has always been a school in which values are important. Kindness, courtesy and respect for others are fundamental to our ethos. The school is affiliated to the Church of England and welcomes girls of all religious faiths, or none.

We believe that when pupils leave Francis Holland, they have the confidence and initiative necessary to make the most of their future lives. I hope you will visit us to experience the distinctive qualities that make Francis Holland, Regent's Park, unique.

Mr Charles Fillingham
Headmaster



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, Politics, Psychology, RS and Theatre Studies.



“The most able are clearly identified and successfully tackle more challenging tasks and a wide variety of academic extension programmes throughout the school.”





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.





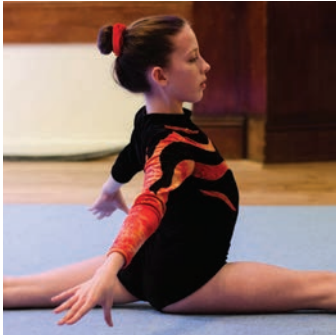




Drama is taught as part of the English syllabus

with many girls taking Speech and Drama as an extra subject and Theatre Studies at A level. Participation is actively encouraged at every stage of a production and in addition to the school plays, there is an annual form 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 Sri Lanka 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.







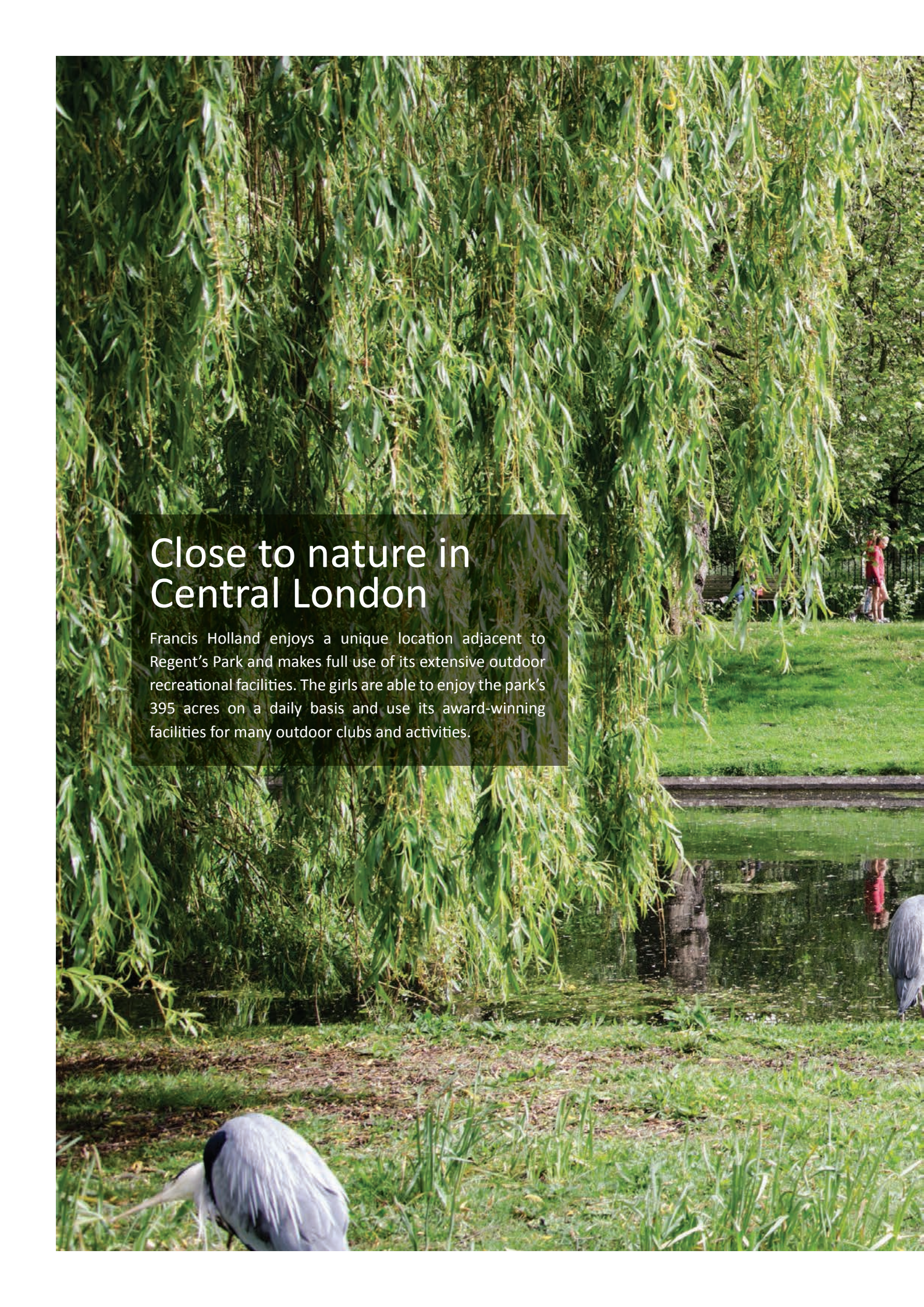


The sixth form is an exciting time

when students make decisions about university and their future lives. Sixth formers have use of their own Common Room and a separate study area, equipped with the latest technology. An exciting 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.

There are also weekly sixth form lectures given by a distinguished list of invited guest speakers as diverse as author Libby Purves, BBC's Chief Economics Correspondent Hugh Pym and author, television presenter and member of the House of Lords, Baroness Bakewell.





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 extra-curricular programme. Annual ski trips to the Alps and the USA, geography trips to Iceland, history trips to Vietnam and Cambodia, classics trips to Italy and charity trips to our sponsor school in Tanzania 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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