



# FRANCIS HOLLAND SCHOOL

## SLOANE SQUARE

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### **TEACHER (OR ACTING HEAD) OF CLASSICS**

**Full-time or part-time, maternity cover  
Required from January 2019**



### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Francis Holland School Sloane Square is an independent selective school for about 570 girls aged 4 to 18 (GSA and HMC). There are around 165 Juniors and over 400 Seniors, including 100 in the Sixth Form. The School is located on a spacious site in a quiet area of SW1, very close to Sloane Square.

Francis Holland School is enjoying considerable popularity and is heavily oversubscribed. Our warm, vibrant and nurturing atmosphere is coupled with an innovative and creative culture. Our pupils are not valued on academic performance –

notwithstanding high achievement - and we recognise the many different types of intelligences which can manifest themselves in a variety of gifts and talents. Community service and enterprise are also highly valued, and we seek to build resilience and courage through our wide range of sports and co-curricular opportunities and our expeditions programme. Girls are encouraged to take considered risks and to learn that failure is simply a work in progress. This brave and aspirational attitude informs the School and produces young women of character and flexibility.

Pupils come from all parts of the London area with many of the Junior School pupils choosing to stay for the Senior School. Each member of staff is involved in the pastoral life of the School, normally as a Form Tutor, the Junior School having one form throughout and Years 7 to 11 having three forms per year. The Sixth Form girls are placed in tutor groups of about 8 girls. A very wide range of co-curricular opportunities are offered to the pupils, and all staff contribute to this vibrant dimension of the School.

Academic standards are high throughout the School and on leaving school, after A Levels, girls proceed to higher education courses, sometimes after a gap year.

## CLASSICS DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

The Department currently comprises 4 members of staff, one full-time and three part-time.

Latin is a compulsory subject in Years 7-9 and 9, using the Cambridge Latin Course, on a lesson allocation of 1 period in Year 7, 2 periods in Year 8 and 3 periods in Year 9. We are firmly committed to the ethos of the Cambridge Latin Course which fosters an understanding of the civilisation values and achievements of the Romans as well as a rigorous, engaging and stimulating approach to the Latin language. At GCSE level both Latin and Classical Civilisation are offered (following the OCR specifications). Currently a healthy number of a year group opts for a Classical subject at GCSE level. In the Sixth Form Latin and Classical Civilisation are offered (following the OCR specifications). Francis Holland School students frequently go on to read a Classics-related subject at university.

Classical Greek is on offer as a new subject in Years 10 and 11. We follow John Taylor's 'Greek to GCSE' course to prepare our best linguists for the OCR GCSE course. All girls in Year 9 experience a 'taster' session of Greek to give them a flavour of the language.

The School's location is a tremendous asset, and students readily benefit from ease of access to a range of museums, London theatres and study day venues. A Senior trip to Athens is happening in September 2018.

## THE APPOINTMENT

We are seeking a dynamic, enthusiastic and well-qualified Teacher of Classics for a period of maternity cover from December or January for up to a year. **The position of Acting Head of Classics leading a successful and dedicated team will be offered to the right**

**candidate.** The ability to teach Latin and Classical Civilisation up to A Level and beyond is essential and the ability to teach Classical Greek GCSE would be an advantage. A cheerful personality and a passion for classical languages and the ancient world are vital, as is a desire to develop your professional skills and career.

Completed applications should be emailed to [jobs@fhs-sw1.org.uk](mailto:jobs@fhs-sw1.org.uk) by the closing date: 10.00 am, Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Early application is advised. Interviews are scheduled for the week commencing Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September. However, applications will be assessed in order of receipt, and interviews may occur at any stage after applications are received.