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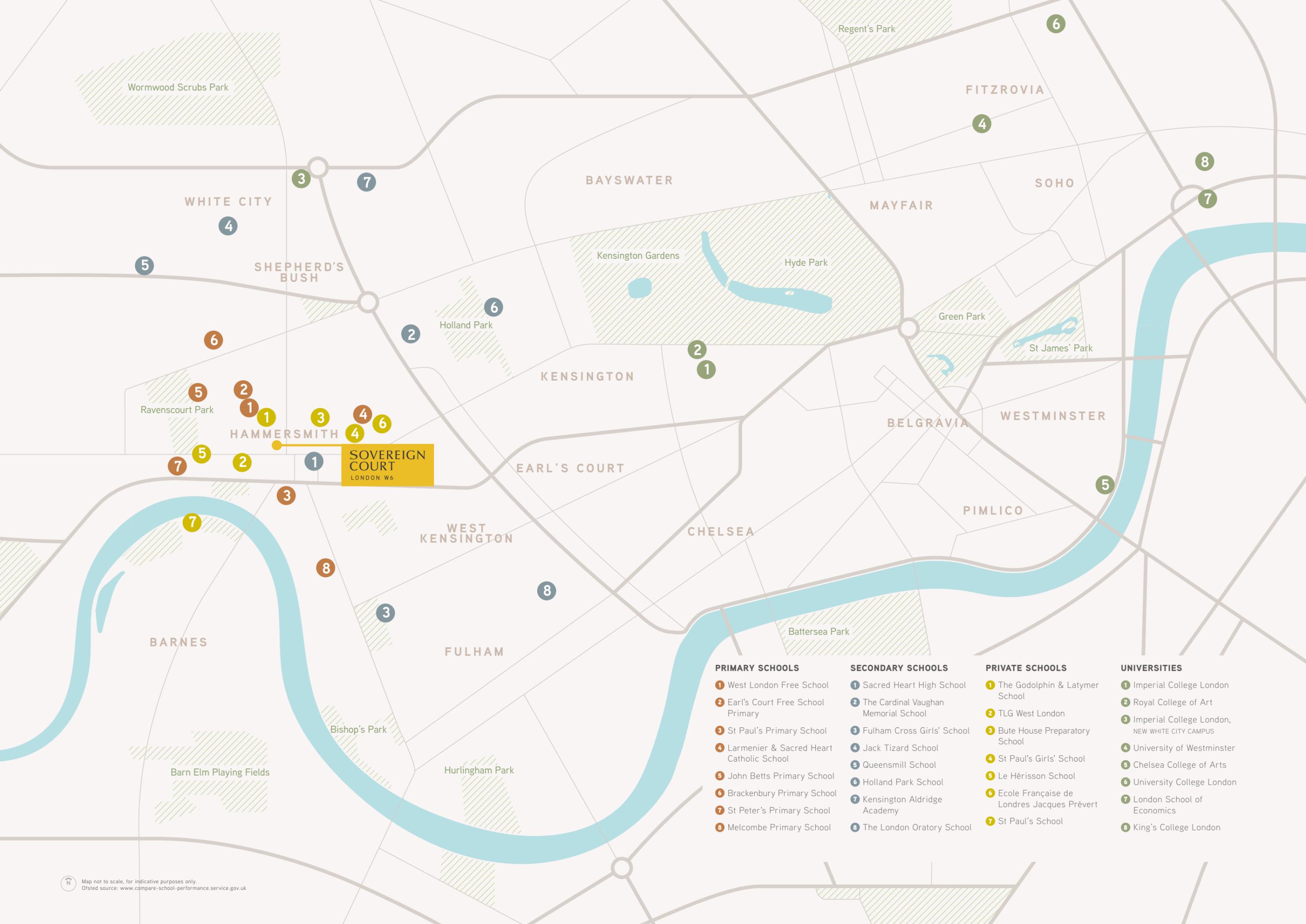
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## first class education

Whether primary or secondary, there are many, highly regarded, outstanding schools in the Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham, including excellent nurseries. With London being recognised as a leading global centre for higher education, St George developments in West London have easy access to the local area's best schools and the City's many respected universities, providing a sound investment for children and the future.

With two of London's most prestigious private schools – The Godolphin & Latymer for girls and St Paul's for boys, along with Kensington campus of Imperial College just down the road and world-leading universities and colleges nearby, Hammersmith has some of the best education London has to offer.



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## primary schools

### West London Free School

241 King Street, Hammersmith, London, W6 9LP

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 4 – 11
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

West London Free School Primary opened in September 2013 with two Reception classes of 30 children each. It has now grown to 12 classes and the first Year 5 cohort started in September 2018. It is currently at full capacity with year groups from Reception to Year 6, with a total of 420 pupils on roll.

The school has developed its own, distinct knowledge-rich curriculum: The Primary Knowledge Curriculum, a carefully sequenced, knowledge-rich programme which inspires pupils, promotes excellent outcomes for all and is underpinned by a drive to overcome inequality of opportunity.

### Earl's Court Free School

Cambridge Grove, Hammersmith, London, W6 0LB

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 4 – 11
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

Earl's Court Free School Primary opened in September 2014 and has a total of 210 pupils on roll. Earl's Court Free School Primary aims to be one of the best primary schools in the country, renowned for academic excellence and for creating the desire to succeed in all its pupils, no matter what their background.

They focus on children to develop the confidence that comes from possessing a store of essential knowledge and the skills to use it, with challenging and fun opportunities for children to engage and compete in, including sports and music.

### St Paul's Primary School

Worldidge Street, Hammersmith, London W6 9BP

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 3 – 11
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

St Paul's Primary School is a small Voluntary Aided School with approximately 232 pupils. The religious denomination of this school is the Church of England, founded in the Christian virtues of faith, hope and love, and in the belief that good learning creates opportunity and is key in transforming lives.



### Larmenier & Sacred Heart Catholic School

41A Brook Green, Hammersmith, London W6 7BL

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 3 – 11
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

Larmenier & Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School is a Voluntary Aided School, in the trusteeship of Westminster Diocese for the education of baptised Catholic children. As a Catholic school, they aim to provide a Catholic education for all pupils to learn and love, pray and play, following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ.

The school is founded on the Gospel teaching of Jesus Christ with a mission to provide an education that enables children to realise their full potential academically, physically, spiritually, morally and socially.

### John Betts Primary School

Paddenswick Road, Hammersmith, London W6 0UA

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 5 – 11
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

John Betts Primary School is a Voluntary Aided, non-denominational, mixed primary school. It is one of only two non-denominational voluntary-aided schools in London and aims to develop confidence in pupils, ready to embrace the opportunities of secondary education and beyond. Teachers aim to ensure every pupil becomes skilled and competent in language and maths, placing particular emphasis on the importance of reading. Children are taught to understand the world more broadly, harness their creativity and appreciate human achievements.

Pupils are introduced to new ideas as well as established concepts, skills and knowledge. The school emphasises the importance of respecting others' values and of being cooperative, polite and considerate. It aims to achieve these objectives through skilled teaching in a friendly, stimulating and nurturing environment.

### Brackenburg Primary School

Dalling Road, Hammersmith, London W6 0BA

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 3 – 11
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

Brackenburg Primary School is a large, vibrant, welcoming school and aims to nurture ambition and develop lifelong learners who have the confidence and skills to be happy and successful in an ever changing world. The children learn to understand and respect themselves, each other and the wider community, in a safe and supportive environment.

Facilities include a full computer suite, art room, flexible hall for music, drama and parent activities and 'The Shed' which is a large performance space. Excellent staff, office and reception facilities add to the superb environment.

### St Peter's Primary School

33 St Peter's Road, Hammersmith, London W6 9BA

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 4 – 11
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

St. Peter's is a very special one-form entry primary school located in the heart of a lively West London community. They believe passionately that the role of education is to ensure that all children are supported to achieve their full potential academically, whilst also providing them with opportunities and experiences to enable them to discover skills and talents in other areas of the curriculum, such as art, music, sport and drama. As a Voluntary Aided School, they have very strong links with the local church, and place God firmly at the centre of all of their works and endeavours.

### Melcombe Primary School

Fulham Palace Road, London W6 9ER

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 3 – 11
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

Melcombe Primary School is an outstanding primary school and uses a highly successful teaching and learning model, which integrates both Brain-based Learning and Visible Learning principles and ideas, and by which the school has become internationally acknowledged as a leader in the teaching and learning arena.

The intake of the school is diverse and they are rightly proud of their multiculturalism.

Their vision is to be an oversubscribed 2-form entry school with wrap around care and highly qualified, stable staff providing first class opportunities for all pupils to meet their potential.

To help achieve this vision the school provides a happy, safe and secure environment in which every child is valued as an individual and each child develops an 'I can do' attitude and love of learning.



# secondary schools

## Sacred Heart High School

212 Hammersmith Road,  
Hammersmith, London W6 7DG

- ✓ Girls
- ✓ Ages: 11 – 19
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

### Overview

Sacred Heart High School is a Catholic Secondary Comprehensive School and sixth form with academy status for girls, founded on the values, ethos and traditions of the Society of the Sacred Heart.

The school offers a safe, secure and positive environment which puts each pupil's individual development at the heart of the learning experience. The school is one of many Sacred Heart schools which value giving and receiving, creating a caring atmosphere for students and staff. The school constantly improves everything they do and embraces the challenges of the modern world to make a difference for the young women who will shape the society of the future.

## The Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School

89 Addison Road, Kensington, London  
W14 8BZ

- ✓ Boys
- ✓ Ages: 11 – 18
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

### Overview

Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School is a Roman Catholic day secondary school in Holland Park, London. The school aims, through its commitment to Catholic teaching, to prepare pupils to undertake their responsibilities as Catholics in society. Working in partnership with parents, the school aims to foster in their pupils a love for the Church which will help them to grow and develop as they make their way through life.

The school is an academy in the Archdiocese of Westminster; it has a strong Catholic ethos, a pan-London intake, a tradition of outstanding academic outcomes and a strong regard for good behaviour, self-discipline and self-improvement among its pupils, whatever their background or ability. It has grown to become one of the highest achieving comprehensive schools in the UK, with specialism in maths, computing and science.



### Fulham Cross Girls' School

Munster Road, Fulham, London SW6 6BP

- ✓ Girls
- ✓ Ages: 11 – 16
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

FCGS is a small, friendly, outstanding high performing girls' school and is in the top 1% for progress with a progress 8 score of 0.97. Their vision of "Empowering Tomorrows Women" is truly embraced by everyone and is thoroughly embedded in everything they do.

FCGS is a school of great heart, where diversity is celebrated and the girls take care of each other so that they can flourish in an environment, supported with a dynamic and exciting learning ethos where excellent teaching and learning is the norm.

Student examination results remain consistently above national average and reflect the work of the highly qualified, committed, hardworking staff. FCGS has been shortlisted three years running as TES secondary school of the year and 2 years running as the Major of London "School for Success."

### Queensmill School

Askham Family Centre, 1 Askham Road, Shepherd's Bush, London W12 0NW

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 11 – 18
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

Queensmill School is a co-educational special school for autistic children, educating young people in a caring environment where staff respect and value children for who they are and help them to understand the world around them. The school teaches the pupils skills to manage their autistic behaviours, gain the skills and competencies needed to gain independence and, in the long-term, work towards employment.

### The London Oratory School

2 Seagrave Road, London, SW6 1RX

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: **Boys (ages 7 - 18) and girls (ages 16 - 18)**
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

The London Oratory School is one of England's oldest and most distinguished Catholic state-funded schools. Although perhaps best known as a boys' school, girls are admitted into the sixth form. It aims to provide education in accordance with the principles and teachings of the Catholic faith. The school doesn't shy away from setting out exactly what is expected of pupils, and indeed parents. It demands nothing short of high standards of excellence in all activities. But it's that traditional focus on hard work and discipline that sees the London Oratory School outperform many of its illustrious fee-paying rivals.

### Holland Park School

Airlie Gardens, Campden Hill Road, Kensington, London W8 7AF

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 11 – 18
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

Holland Park is a highly successful and over-subscribed comprehensive school in the heart of west central London. It is recorded as one of the country's top performing Humanities Colleges and praised in the Good Schools Guide as a school which "has seen a steep and continuing rise in results".

The school is profoundly committed to exacting high standards, to formality, to demanding creative excellence from its staff and students. Seeing pupil's potential and making detailed plans for its realisation is at the centre of its approach. Recognising pupil's personal strengths and development profile is important to the school. Holland Park is a forward thinking, well-articulated institution and is passionate about the equality of opportunity.

### Jack Tizard School

South Africa Road, London, W12 7PA

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 5 – 11
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

Jack Tizard School provides an outstanding curriculum offer for children and young people with profound and multiple learning difficulties. The Jack Tizard staff team provide structured learning that is accessible and relevant to the needs of each individual pupil. Each child's teaching programme is co-ordinated through a range of activities and opportunities which ensure that learning is meaningful, fun and promotes functional skills and development of independence.

School staff establish rapport and respectful, trusting relationships with pupils, their families and their carers, encouraging the development of self-confidence, sensitivity and respect for others through the understanding of individual rights and responsibilities.

### Kensington Aldridge Academy

1 Silchester Road, Notting Hill, London W10 6EX

- ✓ Boys and girls
- ✓ Ages: 11 – 18
- ✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

Kensington Aldridge Academy (KAA) is a co-educational secondary school with academy status, recognised as one of the top academies in the UK. In 2018 the school was named the TES Secondary School of the Year.

As an academy school funding is received direct from the Government. The school is linked with Godolphin & Latymer and Charterhouse independent schools, which helps provide pupils with opportunities that are unique in the state sector. The school is also partnered with LAMDA and the Royal Academy of Dance and have a specialism in performing and creative arts subjects.

Their aim is to be not just an outstanding school, but also a centre

of excellence in teaching and learning with teachers given the time, training and management they need to become the best in their fields. At KAA the pupils receive a consistent diet of outstanding lessons, and extensive enrichment opportunities beyond that.





## private schools

### The Godolphin & Latymer School

4 Iffley Road, W6 0PG

✓ Girls

✓ Ages: 11 – 18

#### Overview

The school, and the girls who go here, ooze a down-to-earth confidence. Godolphin & Latymer is building a reputation for being that rare thing among London independent secondary schools – grounded. The fact that the school interviews everyone who applies is perhaps why it's able to retain a refreshingly inclusive, compassionate air.

The facilities are not only impressive, they're geared to setting girls up for the modern world. Technology workshops, classroom iPads and music production suites all point to a school that isn't content to rest on its laurels. Offering older girls the choice between A-Levels or the International Baccalaureate is indicative of a forward-thinking curriculum too.

### TLG West London

St Paul's Centre, Macbeth Street, Hammersmith, London W6 9JJ

✓ Boys and girls

✓ Ages: 11 – 16

✓ Ofsted rating: **Good**

#### Overview

TGL West London is an independent school that helps young people who are at crisis in their educational experience. As a reflection of their underpinning Christian ethos, their practice is to uphold and encourage respect, care, love, acceptance and belonging among staff and pupils.

The school is designed to help individuals grow in confidence, raise their aspirations and reach their full potential – providing building blocks for a better life. They seek to engage young people on pathways to learning with accredited outcomes, that facilitate reintegration back into school, or progression on to further education or employment with training.

### Bute House Preparatory School

Luxemburg Gardens, Hammersmith, London W6 7EA

✓ Girls

✓ Ages: 4 – 11

✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

A dynamic, exciting, vibrant, rounded school where girls flourish and thrive, but most importantly, have a great deal of fun. The children are being educated to work in a world which, in some ways, we cannot imagine yet. The school believes that being secure and safe in their own skins, and having a strong sense of self and their place in the world, will always be required.

Bute House teaches girls aged from 4 to 11 who have a broad range of talents, personalities and abilities. At every stage teaching is organised in mixed ability classes to allow each girl to experience maximum personal success in all areas. Excellent results and high academic standards are achieved without unnecessary competition and pressure, and girls are encouraged to discover and celebrate their natural talents, whether these are academic, sporting, artistic, musical or dramatic.

### St Paul's Girls' School

5 Brook Green, W6 7BS

✓ Girls

✓ Ages: 11 – 18

#### Overview

The atmosphere at St Paul's Girls' School is unexpectedly relaxed. Pupils are not required to wear a uniform and the emphasis is on cultivating individuality and academic independence. Relaxed perhaps, but this school is no slacker with leavers regularly skipping off to the top universities in the country.

Naturally studious girls thrive here, but when they aren't poring over their books they can be found taking part in one of the umpteen extra-curricular or sporting activities on offer. There are numerous well-established, interesting clubs and societies to choose from as well as a diverse range of sports. Think water polo, fencing, lacrosse and equestrian (among others). Not to mention all the philanthropic ventures.

### Le Hérisson School

Rivercourt Methodist Church,  
Rivercourt Road, London W6 9JT

✓ Boys and girls

✓ Ages: 2 – 6

✓ Ofsted rating: **Good**

#### Overview

A small, independent nursery and preschool providing the opportunity for the youngest citizens of the world to be immersed in the French language, in a happy, gentle but stimulating environment.

Le Hérisson understand the advantages of developing a second language in young children to give them opportunities and choices in life. The early years education at Le Hérisson is a balance between learning through play and, as the child progresses through the school, formal learning.

Priding themselves in offering an option of bilingual education, this allows families the option to further

their child's education in the French Maternelle curriculum by then moving to the French system of education, either locally or further afield. Equally they support families who wish to follow the British system of education.

Le Hérisson School is the first step on the international education ladder for children of the future.

### Ecole Française de Londres Jacques Prévert

59 Brook Green, Hammersmith,  
London W6 7BE

✓ Boys and girls

✓ Ages: 3 – 11

✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

The 'Ecole Française de Londres Jacques Prévert' is a French independent school in Hammersmith, founded in 1974, initially to serve the local community of French nationals.

The school is 'une école conventionnée' subject to the authority of the French Ministry of Education, exercised through the Agence pour l'Enseignement Français à l'Etranger (AEFE) and the French Embassy in London. The school teaches the French national school curriculum in French. A substantial amount of time is devoted to the teaching of English.

As a French school in London, the school aims to 'promote a warm and friendly, family atmosphere and to provide a harmonious educational experience based on the official French programmes, and open to the culture of the United Kingdom'.

The majority of pupils are bilingual and the school contributes to strengthening the cooperative relationship between the French and English education systems. When they leave school at the end of grade 4, pupils automatically go to school in a French secondary school in London; a small number, however, choose to continue their studies in an English school.

### St Paul's School

6 Lonsdale Road, SW13 9JT

✓ Boys

✓ Ages: 13 – 18

✓ Ofsted rating: **Outstanding**

#### Overview

Having clocked over 500 years as a school, St Paul's has a piece of history in every magnificent brick and cornice.

St Paul's has a whopping 45 acres of land – plenty of room to accommodate the boat house, various pitches, swimming pool, tennis courts

and running track. Luckily pupils are given a two-hour lunch break – ample time to make use of all those sporting facilities.

This is where the brightest and best are steered towards an even brighter and better future. And yet, there isn't that over-pressurised atmosphere you'll find in most top performing schools. In fact, these high achievers are surprisingly low key.



# universities

## Imperial College London, SW7

3 South Kensington Campus, London SW7 2AZ

### Overview

Specialising solely in science, engineering, medicine and business, Imperial College uses its tight focus to offer an education that is truly cutting-edge in its field. This is a university with the big scientific questions and global challenges of the day in its sights.

More than 140 nationalities are represented on the Imperial College campus, making it one of the most international universities in the world. But with an excellent main campus in South Kensington bringing

everyone together, it feels like a global community of specialists studying what they love with others who love it too. Students will have access to world-class research facilities, from full motion flight simulators and hydrodynamics labs to wind tunnels.

### Notable Alumni

H.G. Wells – Author  
Sir Alexander Fleming – Physician  
Thomas Huxley – Biologist  
Brian May – Guitarist  
Dame Sally Davies – Chief Medical Officer for England

## Royal College of Art, SW7

Kensington Gore, South Kensington, London SW7 2EU

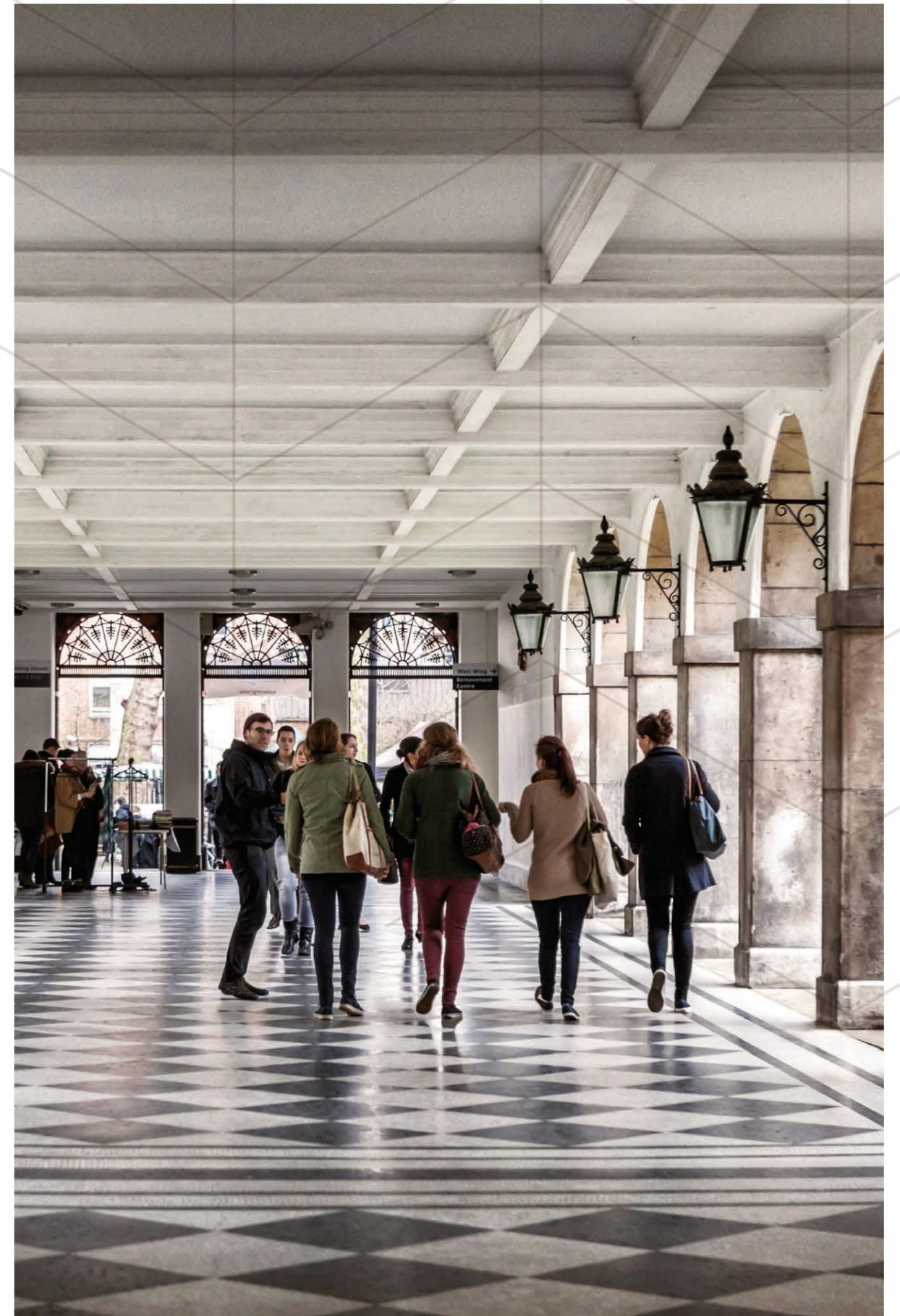
### Overview

Royal College of Art is the only entirely postgraduate art and design university in the world, with campuses in South Kensington, Battersea and White City offering postgraduate degrees in art and design to students from over 60 countries. As of 2019, the RCA placed first in the QS World University Rankings in the Art and Design subject area for five consecutive years, since the introduction of subject area rankings in 2014.

The RCA offers Graduate Diploma, MA, MRes, MPhil and PhD degrees in twenty-eight subject areas, divided into four schools: architecture, arts & humanities, communication, and design.

### Notable Alumni

Barbara Hepworth – Sculptor  
Henry Moore – Sculptor  
David Hockney – Painter  
Sir Peter Blake – Pop Artist  
Zandra Rhodes – Fashion Designer  
James Dyson – Industrial Designer





### Imperial College London, White City

White City, London W12 0BZ

#### Overview

White City Campus is Imperial's major new campus in West London, bringing together world-class researchers, businesses and partners from academia to work, share ideas and turn cutting-edge research into benefits for society.

Boasting a fascinating history, including international exhibitions and Olympic sports, it is quickly establishing itself as a pioneering quarter for arts, culture, innovation, science and learning. The White City campus is less than three miles from the existing South Kensington campus and just 500m from the Hammersmith Hospital Campus and is a platform for innovation and entrepreneurship at the heart of a vibrant area to live, work and play.

### University of Westminster, W1B

309 Regent Street, Marylebone, London W1B 2HW

#### Overview

The University provides a grounded, holistic education with wide horizons and opportunities, so that students from every background can realise their true potential, contributing to a richer, happier society.

The courses are taught across four London campuses – three in central London and are all within walking distance of each other, and a fourth in Harrow, north-west London.

Subjects taught include Biomedical Sciences, Computer Science, Software Engineering, Psychology, Fashion, Photography, Film, Accounting, Finance, Business and Management, Property and Construction, English, Languages, History, Law, Criminology, Sociology and Politics.

#### Notable Alumni

Vivienne Westwood – Fashion Designer  
 Christopher Bailey – Fashion Designer  
 Roger Waters – Musician (Pink Floyd)  
 Dominic Grieve – Politician

### Chelsea College of Arts, SW1P

16 John Islip Street, London SW1P 4JU

#### Overview

Chelsea College of Arts is a constituent college of the University of the Arts London and is a leading British art and design institution with an international reputation. It offers further and higher education courses in fine art, graphic design, interior design, spatial design and textile design up to PhD level. Being a student at Chelsea College of Arts provides you with the opportunity to realise your potential as an artist, designer or creative practitioner. You will be part of an international student community and wider global network that is full of energy and inventiveness.

#### Notable Alumni

Frank Bowling – Artist  
 Helen Chadwick – Sculptor, photographer and installation artist  
 Steve McQueen – Film Director and Screen Writer  
 Chris Ofili – Artist  
 Quentin Blake – Cartoonist and Illustrator  
 James Richards – Artist

### University College London

2 Gower Street, Bloomsbury, London WC1E 6BT

#### Overview

The main UCL campuses are situated in and around Bloomsbury in central London – making it a very quick commute from the environs of Chelsea, Fulham or Battersea. As well as admitting the best of the best to study in its hallowed halls (there are currently some 35,000 students), UCL is also a respected research facility and manager of umpteen culturally significant museums and collections.

This is one of the top universities not only in England but the world. Matriculation is competitive here and students really need to make A\*s and As at A-level in order to be successful. UCL is considered to be an academic all-rounder with top-notch teaching staff across all its courses – from mathematics and medicine to physics and psychology. But the campus is certainly conducive to studying hard. Beautiful buildings – all towering columns and vaulted ceilings – serve to inspire the burgeoning intellectual.

### London School of Economics

4 Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AE

#### Overview

LSE is recognised as the world's leading dedicated social sciences institution. Whilst it carved out its reputation in economics (over a quarter of all Nobel Prizes in Economics have been awarded to LSE alumni), the university offers courses in the fields of politics, law, business and more.

70% of the student body at LSE are international students, making the Holborn-based campus a real global melting pot. There is a culture of big ambition at LSE, with many leavers taking up positions in the City of London to embark on illustrious, and often lucrative, careers. The fact that, out of all European universities, LSE has educated the most billionaires says something about the self-assuredness of the institution itself and the people who study here.

### King's College London

5 Strand, London, WC2R 2LS

#### Overview

King's lays claim to being the fourth oldest university in the country, having been established in 1829. Its historic heart is on the Strand, but four other campuses across London cater for its 30,000-strong student body. It has an impressive academic reputation in many areas but is world-renowned for its healthcare education – across medicine, dentistry and nursing in particular.

Some of King's facilities are spread across multiple sites, but it still manages to retain a sense of identity that is the envy of most London universities. Many of the buildings it occupies are steeped in history – from the Round Reading Room and the Maughan Library, to the imposing Bush House and the Grade I listed King's College Chapel on the Strand.



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