

Lycée Français Charles de Gaulle

London, United Kingdom



South Kensington’s French lycée with a full British section

RANKING DIMENSIONS

Overall	68/100
Academic outcomes	75/100
University placement	71/100
Prestige & heritage	68/100
Alumni network	65/100
Facilities	60/100
Transparency	80/100

EDITOR'S VERDICT

In South Kensington, Lycée Français Charles de Gaulle occupies a distinct niche: a French lycée in London with a full British section, teaching ages 3 to 18 in both French and English. That matters. Most international schools ask families to choose one national system and live with the consequences. Here, the school offers a direct route into the French curriculum while also sustaining a British track inside the same institution. For bilingual, binational and mobile families, that is a **serious structural advantage**, not a branding line. Founded in 1915, it also has the permanence and civic weight that newer international schools cannot manufacture.

The attraction is clear, and so is the trade-off. This is a school for families who want intellectual discipline,

linguistic fluency and a curriculum tied to a major national system, not a soft-focus version of international education. The French side will suit students who thrive on clear expectations, formal academic progression and a culture that treats schooling as **properly demanding**. The British section broadens the appeal for parents who want an English-medium route without leaving the institution. The school's average annual day fee is **£14,054**, which places it in a **strikingly accessible** bracket for central London, especially for a school covering the full **3-18** age range on a single day-school model.

It belongs on a shortlist for a specific child: academically robust, comfortable in a bilingual environment, and at ease in a school that is anchored in French educational culture rather than generic international-school pastoralism. A child who wants constant hand-holding or a campus built around spectacle will find stronger fits elsewhere. A child who relishes language, structure and the chance to move between French and British educational worlds will find something **genuinely unusual** here. In London, that combination is **hard to replicate**.

WTS RATING 

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