



CENTRAL FOUNDATION BOYS' SCHOOL

End of Year Message 2024/25

As the school year comes to an end, on behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to reflect on what has happened and the School's many accomplishments.

The academic year 2024/2025 began with another set of excellent examination results at GCSE and Post-16. Our results were well above the national average and are some of the best anywhere in the country for boys at state schools. Our students secured a terrific selection of post-18 destinations. Most impressively, results have been consistently strong for a decade or more. This is a reflection of extraordinary hard work each year by staff and students and invaluable support from parents and carers. It is a tremendous achievement.

Academics are critically important, but we believe in the education of the "whole person", developing character and ensuring that the young men and women that leave Central Foundation are equipped to become productive and engaged members of society. The School boasts an exceptional array of co-curricular opportunities. The School's music provision, anchored by our ongoing partnership with the Music in Secondary Schools Trust, is a core strength. Drama has enjoyed a strong year. A group of our talented Y8 – 10 students had the honour of opening this year's National Theatre Connections Festival with a live performance on the newly revamped Dorfman stage at the National Theatre, playing to a sold-out audience of 450. Our public speakers have won awards, our sports teams continue to enjoy success, and we offer more than 70 clubs for students. The launch of the Central Baccalaureate provides further focus on our goal to develop the character of all our students.

A significant event in the year was the Ofsted inspection in March. We achieved an Outstanding rating in all of the inspected categories: The quality of education; Behaviour and attitudes; Personal development; Leadership and management; and Sixth-form provision. This exceptional result provides important external validation of the work that we are doing and the School that we have created. It is a tribute to the enormous contribution made by all members of the Central Foundation community.

As we reflect on the year, it is important to appreciate the context in which we operate. Central Foundation is a comprehensive school located in an inner-London borough. We are a community school and our role is to serve the local community. Entry at Y7 is not merit based and, like the community, our student body is diverse. The School has been in existence for more than 150 years. Our ethos remains unchanged. We believe in the transformative power of education. This belief drives the Head Teacher, senior leadership team and teaching and non-teaching staff and it drives the Governing Body.

I'd like to thank the many stakeholders that make Central Foundation such a special place and whose dedication is responsible for our successes. The students who have worked so diligently throughout the year; parents and carers who have provided essential support to the students and to the School; and the Head Teacher, senior leadership team, teaching staff and non-teaching staff whose expertise and commitment is a constant.

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I would like to wish everyone a happy and restful summer holiday and, especially, good luck to students awaiting exam results.

Simon Dodds
Chair of the Governing Body
22 July 2025

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