

Tuesday, 25 July 2017

Dear All,

## **RE: Message from the Chair of Governors**

The final Committee meetings and full Governing Body Meeting for the year have now taken place, as have our first cohort of GCSE students' examinations.

The governors commend highly the students and staff in their hard work leading up to the exams, and it was excellent to hear that there was 100% attendance in 100% of exams. This is very much testament to the strong culture and ethos developed at the Academy, and to the dedication of our students and staff.

We now all eagerly await the GCSE and A-Level exam results in August, and wish all students the very best when they receive their results and hope they lead to a wonderful pathway for their future life.

The Academy's School Improvement Partners (SIPs), Sue Gregory and Marcia Headon, visited the Academy in June, and Sue Gregory also attended the Governing Body Meeting. The governors warmly welcomed the reassurance and positive feedback received from our SIPs, with the Co-Principal Model continuing to work well and teaching and learning being maintained at a very high standard.

The governors and SIPs highly commended the support and assistance provided by the Co-Principals and Academy team in their response to the Chalcots Estate evacuation. The thoughts of all on the Governing Body are with all those affected by the evacuation, and the Academy team will continue to offer support where possible in the time to come.

The governors welcomed our internal auditors, Moore Stephens, who delivered an enhanced financial training session as part of our on-going governors' training agenda. This was particularly valuable given the changing financial landscape within education, and essential as the Governing Body is firmly committed to continuing the excellent budgetary control and strong financial governance that is in place at present.

The Academy Trust meeting was also held this term, with members present from our sponsor, UCL. The links with UCL were discussed further, and the review of 2016-17 and the Strategic Development Plan for 2017-22 were discussed.

The governors and leadership team very much welcome the feedback of the Academy community. You will see at the end of this letter a link for parent feedback survey, your responses would be very much appreciated.

The governors would like to thank to the leadership team, staff and students at the Academy for an excellent year, and to wish everyone a very well deserved summer break.

If you have any specific questions to raise with governors, please do so directly via the Clerk to the Governors, Louise Garcia: [l.garcia@uclacademy.co.uk](mailto:l.garcia@uclacademy.co.uk).

Please note that all governor updates to parents for the academic year can also be found under the Governance section of the website.

Best wishes

David Price  
Chair of Governors

## Parent Feedback Survey

Your views are important to the Academy, and will assist in enhancing the quality of education provided, and for us to review further areas of development and improvements.

It would be very much appreciated if you could complete the following Parent Feedback Survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MBQS6NP>

The results will be reviewed in the Autumn term by the leadership team and Governing Body.



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