



FINBOROUGH SCHOOL

The best preparation for life

Awarded excellent in all areas by the
Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI)



I am extremely pleased and proud to introduce this very special book we have put together to celebrate our wonderful school. Please enjoy each page, take in the stunning images that have been captured of our children and read the quotes all taken directly from our most recent ISI inspection report.

Having excellence universally recognised by ISI across all facets of the school is a tremendous affirmation of what we do at Finborough. The drive and dedication we have to ensure that every one of our children has an exceptional learning experience, achieving their very best with an infectious positive attitude towards life and the great futures that lay ahead of them.

Finborough is an excellent school in every respect, truly providing the best preparation for life.

Steven T. Clark
Headteacher



Key findings from the whole school 2016 inspection

The quality of the pupils' academic and other achievements is excellent.

- Pupils' excellent attitudes to learning and their well-honed study skills are a significant factor in their success.
- Pupils' achievement over a range of subjects and activities is excellent throughout the school, whatever their starting points.
- Pupils' attainment in public examinations such as GCSE has risen significantly in the past two years.

The quality of the pupils' personal development is excellent.

- Pupils' have wholeheartedly adopted a system delivered by the head to promote their readiness for their future lives and this underpins their excellent personal skills.
- Pupils are adaptable and self-disciplined; they persevere extremely well in all they do.
- Pupils behave exceptionally well; they take full responsibility for their behaviour, and adopt a strong moral code.
- Pupils are self-confident and resilient. They have a keen focus on self-improvement and are aware of the approaches required.





"By giving the pupils primary responsibility for their own learning, the school has a strong drive for improvement that is understood and shared by pupils, parents and staff."





"Pupils' excellent achievements are the result of the strong impetus given by the leadership at all levels on ensuring each individual becomes a highly effective learner. The meticulous tracking and regular feedback to the pupils underpins their progress."





"Pupils fully concur with the school's motto, 'Better Never Stops'."





"They fully appreciate the beauty of the extensive estate grounds in which their school is set."





"Pupils make a strong contribution to their society. They talk enthusiastically about the high levels of tolerance and respect felt around the school. They show great respect to all their fellow pupils, whatever their background or abilities, as well as adults and visitors."





"Pupils rapidly develop many of the skills necessary for their future lives. They make confident choices, spurred on by the strongly supportive pastoral system that underpins the school's ethos."





"They are relentlessly willing learners, working equally effectively whether by themselves or with others."





"The excellent quality of pupils' achievements is rooted in their outstanding attitudes to learning."





"The pupils show a vibrant interest in all that is going on at school and in the world."





"The more able pupils and those with particular talents respond positively to their adapted curriculum and special arrangements, such as fitness regimes and menus, so their talents and abilities are promoted to the full. This is reflected in the successes of individual pupils in theatre, music and sport."





"Eloquent, confident and vibrant, senior pupils communication skills are honed through the six-weekly cycle of assembly presentations."





"Pupils' attainment is often excellent in the good range of extra-curricular activities and sports on offer. Prep school pupils and teams have won national or regional tournaments in rugby, swimming and athletics. Senior teams have been undefeated in rugby and netball. Finborough School regularly has multiple winners in the regional arts festival."





"The most significant reason for pupils excellent personal skills is their understanding of their own strengths and areas for development which is the result of their adherence to the 'Learnability' programme. This prepares them for their future lives and is fully in keeping with the school's aims."



"All pupils who took part in interviews were effusive about the (learnability) system and explained how the process, in line with the school's aims, has encouraged them to strive for the highest levels and to be the best they can be."

