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The last decade or so has seen remarkable progress at Dunraven. For example in 2002, the GCSE outcomes stood at 43%: in 2014 the 5 A*-C figure was 88%. In 2002 our sixth form, its new building and the South London Sixth (SL6) collaboration were ambitious plans for the future. We now have an Ofsted-rated 'outstanding' sixth form and SL6 is the most successful collaboration in this part of London. All groups of students at Dunraven outperform their peers nationally and their outcomes place us in the top quartile of all schools across the country. Our results at GCSE and A level remain above the national average including in the core subjects of English and mathematics.

Ofsted viewed the school as good in 2006, as very good in 2010 and as outstanding in 2014. The school has helped develop nine successful headteachers in the past decade and gained a second specialism, High Performing status, Beacon Status, International status, Advanced Healthy School status, Investors in People status for the fourth time, Artsmark, Sportsmark and won a Public Service Award for our landmark sports hall. Dunraven has also been designated as a National Support School (NSS) in recognition of the work we do in partnership with and supporting other schools. Our Chair of Governors, Joel MacInnes, became a National Leader of Governance (NLG) underlining the quality of our governors' support for the school.

One of the reasons for the school's on-going success has been the ability to control our own destiny to make the best use of the resources we have been given to support the progress of our students. To this end, Dunraven became a grant maintained school in 1993, a foundation school in 1999 and - continuing the tradition of independent self-management - an academy in August 2011. However, we maintain collegiate and healthy relationships with a wide range of partners including Lambeth as our Local Authority.

We've been visited by the prime minister and education secretary of the day; headteachers from America, China, Sweden, Norway and Canada; by two knights, a baroness and 3 directors of children's services in recognition of the work we do for our young people. We've also run thousands of educational visits (over 250 in 2013-14 alone) and hundreds of events to enrich and extend the curriculum. We have developed a strong reputation locally, within London and nationally featuring in positive reports about outstanding schools.

Our Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme, along with our new primary school building, is now complete. We are privileged to have the opportunity to begin the next phase of our development in our bespoke new buildings