

Speech to Graduating Class

Dear Principal, teachers, parents and fellow schoolmates,

Today, we gather not just to celebrate an end, but also to welcome a new beginning. After years of hard work, late nights, challenges and friendships, we have finally reached this long-awaited moment – graduation. As we look ahead, the word ‘future’ appears both exciting and frightening. It is unwritten, unknown and full of endless possibilities.

Some of us might already have clear plans: We know where we will study and what job we aspire to pursue; others may still be unsure, and that is completely okay. The future does not demand that we have every answer right now. It only asks us to keep moving forward with courage and curiosity.

The future is not something that simply happens to us. We are the ones who shape it with every choice we make. There will be successes and there will be failures. There will be days when everything goes smoothly and days when we feel confused and lost. But every experience, be it good or difficult, will teach us, strengthen us, and transform us.

As we step into this new chapter, let us carry with us the values we have learnt from here: kindness, responsibility, perseverance and respect. Let us support one another, even as we take different paths. Let us dare to dream big, but also stay humble enough to learn from every person and every experience.

To our teachers, thank you for guiding us, challenging us and believing in us even when we doubted ourselves at times. To our families, thank you for your unconditional love. None of us would be here without your unlimited patience and support. To my fellow graduates, we did it! Today, we close one book and open another. The pages ahead are blank and they are waiting for us to craft our unique stories.

The future is not something to fear. It is something to embrace, to explore, and to create. Wherever life takes us, let us move forward with hope. Let us be brave enough to try, wise enough to learn, and kind enough to care. The future belongs to everyone of us.

Congratulations, Class of 2026. Our future starts now!