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Dear Parent/Carer

In March 2023, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Saracen Primary School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and children and worked closely with the headteacher and staff.

The inspection team found the following strengths in the school's work.

- The headteacher provides very strong leadership. The school culture is positive and calm and the core values of 'ready, respectful, team' are evident in all classes.
- The quality of teaching and engagement in learning is of a high quality in almost all classes. Children enjoy the variety of well-planned, structured learning they experience each day.
- Senior leaders and teachers monitor children's progress in learning very effectively. They demonstrate clearly the positive difference their support makes to children and their families.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the headteacher and a representative from Glasgow City Council.

- Continue to raise the attainment of all children in all curriculum areas.
- Continue to develop approaches to play at the early stages. This will help to ensure that all children are challenged and supported to fulfil their potential at the early stages.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using quality indicators from [How good is our school? \(4th edition\)](#). Quality indicators help schools, local authorities and inspectors to judge what is working well and what needs to be improved. Following the inspection of each school, the Scottish Government gathers details of our evaluations to keep track of how well Scottish schools are doing.

Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for Saracen Primary School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	very good
Raising attainment and achievement	good
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our school? (4th edition), Appendix 3: The six-point scale	

A more detailed document called Summarised Inspection Findings (SIF) will be available on the Education Scotland website at: [Reports page | Inspection reports | Education Scotland](#)

What happens next?

We are confident that the school has the capacity to continue to improve and so we will make no more visits in connection with this inspection. Glasgow City Council will inform parents/carers about the school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its schools.

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HM Inspector