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Dear Parent/Carer

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

Glashieburn School nursery class was inspected by Care Inspectorate within the past 18 months. Therefore, we have agreed with the local authority and school that the nursery class is not part of this inspection.

The inspection team found the following strengths in the work of school, including the enhanced provision/Dolphin Room:

- Staff across the school and Dolphin Room who promote positive relationships and create an inclusive learning environment. As a result, children are happy, well-behaved and engaged in their learning.
- The strong and supportive leadership provided by the senior leadership team, who create a collaborative approach to supporting improvement.
- The whole staff team's approach to supporting children with barriers to learning. This enables children to make good progress, improve their wellbeing and achieve well.
- The positive start to developing learning through play in the early stages.

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

- Continue to develop approaches to high-quality learning and teaching across the school. This includes using assessment information more clearly to inform teaching and learning to ensure learning is planned at the right level of difficulty for all learners.
- Continue to raise attainment and achievement for learners across the school.
- Continue to extend opportunities for children and encourage parents and families to be more involved in planning, leading and reviewing aspects of school improvement.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using four 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 Glashieburn School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Leadership of change	good
Learning, teaching and assessment	good
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	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. Aberdeen City Council will inform parents/carers about the school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its schools.

Sally Stewart
HM Inspector