

## 19 December 2023

## Dear Parent/Carer

In October 2023, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Toryglen 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.

- Senior leaders and staff have developed calm and purposeful learning environments. Across the school and language and communication resource (LCR), staff know children and their families well. They provide caring and nurturing support which helps children engage positively with school.
- In the school and LCR, teachers use digital technologies to enhance learning and teaching across the curriculum. This is supporting children to develop their digital skills and engage meaningfully in their learning.
- In the LCR, staff work well together to develop experiences that increasingly take account of children's interests. This is supporting children to make good progress in their learning.

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

- Senior leaders now need to improve the leadership of learning, teaching and raising attainment across the school. This will support staff to evaluate more accurately the progress they are making in these areas.
- Staff need to continue to improve learning and teaching across the school and LCR. This will support all children to receive high-quality experiences that match well to their learning needs.
- As a priority, senior leaders now need to develop effective systems to plan, monitor and review additional support for children across the school. This will support staff to meet all children's wellbeing and learning needs better.
- Staff now need to raise attainment and increase children's progress in literacy and numeracy across the school. Teachers need to be supported to develop a better understanding of national standards.



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 Toryglen Primary School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Leadership of change	weak
Learning, teaching and assessment	satisfactory
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	weak
Raising attainment and achievement	weak
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from:  How good is our school? (4 <sup>th</sup> 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?

As a result of our inspection findings we think that the school needs additional support and more time to make necessary improvements. We will liaise with Glasgow City Council regarding the school's capacity to improve. We will return to carry out a further inspection of the school within one year of the publication of this letter. We will discuss with Glasgow City Council the details of this inspection. When we return to inspect the school, we will write to you as parents/carers informing you of the progress the school has made.

Gillian Frew **HM** Inspector