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Dear Parent/Carer

In March 2019, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Parkhill Secondary School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and young people and worked closely with the headteacher and staff.

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

- The welcoming, nurturing culture throughout the school, underpinned by very positive relationships. This results in young people feeling safe, valued and cared for.
- Led by the headteacher, teamwork is a particular strength of the school. Teachers and support staff know young people, their needs and their backgrounds very well. They work well together to help young people to get the best out of every learning experience.
- The range of personal achievement opportunities on offer to improve young people's wellbeing and develop their skills for learning, life and work.
- The increasing number and range of National Qualifications and wider awards achieved by young people in the senior phase, supported by the school's Enterprise Academy.

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

- Improve approaches for checking the progress of young people, particularly in the broad general education.
- Continue to raise attainment and achievement across the school, with a particular focus on learners in the broad general education.

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 Parkhill Secondary School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	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:

<https://education.gov.scot/inspection-reports/glasgow-city/8441340>

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.

Liz Angus
HM Inspector