

25 April 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

In January 2023, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghleann Dail. 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.

- Children enjoy talking about their successes in classes, clubs and events. They are successful in opportunities that are organised nationally and locally to promote immersion, as well as by parents and partners.
- The headteacher and staff team are caring and kind to children. They place a high value on increasing the number of speakers of Gaelic in Glasgow.
- The headteacher and staff team have put in place a range of one-to-one and small group additional support to close gaps in children's fluency in Gaelic. This is increasing equity for the older children who were not immersed in Gaelic during the pandemic.

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

- The headteacher and staff should continue to strategically plan the curriculum based on total immersion, equity, and raising children's attainment and fluency in Gaelic. Staff should continue to seek ways of involving partners in children's learning to close further gaps in fluency because of the pandemic.
- The headteacher and staff should build on their most effective practices in total immersion. This should result in children having consistent experiences in total immersion, and learning, teaching and assessment through Gaelic in meaningful contexts.
- The headteacher and staff should develop further arrangements for evaluating and improving the school. These should be more closely linked to immersion and Gaelic Medium 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 Bun-sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghleann Dail

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	satisfactory
Raising attainment and achievement	satisfactory
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 will ask Glasgow City Council for a report on progress with the agreed areas for improvement within a year of the publication of this letter. Taking account of the progress report, we will then decide whether further engagement with the school is required. This may involve another inspection visit. Glasgow City Council will write to you again detailing the improvements the school has made and outlining any further action that we intend to take, as agreed with Glasgow City Council.

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