

31 March 2020

**Dear Parent/Carer** 

In February 2020, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited All Saints 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 headteacher, senior leaders and staff have worked well together to create a caring and positive ethos of openness and trust, which is underpinned by the revised school values. Staff and young people have strong, supportive relationships.
- Classrooms have a positive climate for learning and teaching. Increasingly, this helps young people to engage effectively in lessons and enjoy their learning.
- The school works effectively with a range of partners to improve young people's wellbeing, aspirations and life chances.
- Young people develop confidence, self-esteem and an increased sense of responsibility through their involvement in a wide range of achievement opportunities, such as clubs and activities. They also receive accreditation for many of their achievements.

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

- Strengthen approaches to school self-evaluation and improvement planning to inform more effectively the strategic direction of the school.
- Further develop the school curriculum to ensure that all young people's needs are met through a range of aspirational and progressive pathways.
- Continue to improve learning and teaching to raise attainment. The school needs to place increased focus on developing better ways to track young people's progress in learning as they move through the school.
- Develop staff and young people's understanding of wellbeing across the school. This should support the best possible progress in improving young people's wellbeing.



We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using four quality indicators from <u>How good is our school? (4<sup>th</sup> edition</u>). 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 All Saints Secondary School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Leadership of change	satisfactory
Learning, teaching and assessment	satisfactory
Raising attainment and achievement	satisfactory
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	satisfactory
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:

https://education.gov.scot/education-scotland/inspection-reports/reports-page/?id=1378

## What happens next?

We will ask Glasgow City Council for a report on progress with the agreed areas for improvement within one 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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