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## Dear Parent/Carer

In September 2024, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Mirren Park 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.

- Staff develop positive and nurturing relationships with young people across the school. They use sensitive individualised support to settle young people in their classes. This helps young people to manage their emotions and engage in their learning.
- The school's work in developing a range of valuable learning experiences with partners. This is having a significantly positive impact on most young people's engagement in their local community.
- Young people are building confidence and self-belief in what they are able to achieve. This is supporting all young people to move on successfully into further education, training or employment when they leave school.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the headteacher and a representative from Young Foundations.

- Teachers should continue to develop learning and teaching approaches to ensure all young people experience high quality learning experiences across the school. In doing so, teachers should aim to support all young people to make the best possible progress in their learning and attain well.
- Staff need to develop the curriculum at the broad general education and senior phase. This should include reviewing the length of the school week to ensure all young people receive their full entitlements to 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 Mirren Park School

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? (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: Mirren Park School | 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. Young Foundations will inform parents/carers about the school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its schools.

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