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Dear Parent/Carer

In March 2020, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Kirkriggs School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and children and worked closely with the depute headteacher and staff.

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

- Staff who know children and their families well and work effectively with partners to support their wellbeing.
- Staff's inclusive, child-centred and welcoming approach, which supports and values each child.
- The range and quality of activities which allow children to achieve success.

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

- Develop a shared vision for change and improvement which is meaningful and relevant to the context of the school within its community.
- Develop how teachers share their practice and moderate assessment standards to improve further the learning and teaching across the school.
- Across the school, agree and implement consistent approaches to how teachers measure children's progress and plan for next steps in their learning.

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 Kirkriggs School

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

<https://education.gov.scot/education-scotland/inspection-reports/reports-page/?id=3276>

What happens next?

As a result of our inspection findings we identified areas where improvements are required. In light of the current circumstances, we will liaise with Glasgow City Council to discuss our findings and support for the school. We will provide you with an update on next steps once the school has reopened.

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HM Inspector