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Dear Parent/Carer,

In March 2018, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited St Peter's Primary School. 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.

- The headteacher and principal teachers, who support a strong team approach to leading school improvement. Commendably, all staff and children have leadership roles that empowers them to shape the direction of the school. The compassionate approach to leadership led by the headteacher, creating a united sense of purpose and a compelling vision for all in the school community.
- St Peter's Primary is a completely inclusive school where the school values are lived by everyone and are clear in all relationships. There are outstanding approaches to equality, inclusion and wellbeing resulting in children who are very well supported to achieve their potential. The rich data gathered helps staff to know children very well and to support every child's specific needs.
- Children are highly motivated, eager and courteous. They have a good understanding of their strengths and their next steps in learning. There are highly effective approaches to monitoring and tracking children's progress and this allows support to be well targeted.

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

- Staff should continue to improve teaching, learning and assessment across the school. Developing a shared understanding of classroom practice would enable consistently engaging experiences across all classes.
- The school should proceed as planned with strategies to raise attainment further for all children.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate some quality indicators from [How good is our school? \(4th edition\)](#). Quality indicators help schools, education 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 evaluations of quality indicators to keep track of how well Scottish schools are doing.

Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for St Peter's Primary School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Leadership of change	very good
Learning, teaching and assessment	good
Raising attainment and achievement	good
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	excellent

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 will be available on the Education Scotland website at <https://education.gov.scot/inspection-reports/west-dunbartonshire/8302421>

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. West Dunbartonshire Council will inform parents/carers about the school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its schools.

Ann Floyd
HM Inspector