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Dear Parent/Carer

In May 2019, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Garrowhill 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.

- Friendly, well-mannered children who are very proud of their school and value the wide opportunities for learning provided.
- The strong inclusive ethos where staff work effectively as a team to ensure children are well cared for and supported in a culture of achievement and high ambition.
- The enthusiasm and commitment of staff to professional learning with a relentless focus on improving learning, teaching and assessment. Led well by the headteacher, they make effective use of data to improve attainment and achievement for all.
- The use of digital technology to engage learners, enhance learning experiences and provide opportunities for challenge across the curriculum.

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

- Across the school, continue to increase opportunities for children to take responsibility for and lead their own learning.
- Continue to develop use of the skills framework to support children in talking about their skills and how these relate to learning, life and work.

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 Garrowhill Primary School

| Quality indicators | Evaluation |
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| Learning, teaching and assessment | very good |
| Raising attainment and achievement | very good |
| 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/inspection-reports/glasgow-city/8456321>

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

Susan Smith
HM Inspector