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Dear Parent/Carer

In March 2025, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Gleniffer High 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 caring supportive relationships between young people and staff that create a welcoming and nurturing learning environment.
- Senior leaders' approaches to encouraging close partnership working. Successful partnerships are developing young people's employability skills and contributing to sustained improvements in the number of young people who achieve positive destinations.
- The strong focus by staff on providing a wide range of courses that meet the needs of learners who may require additional support. As a result, increasing numbers of young people are attaining qualifications at Scottish Credit Qualification Framework levels 3 and 4.

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

- Continue to develop the 'Gleniffer toolkit' to support teachers in embedding greater consistency in approaches to learning and teaching through professional learning and collaboration. This will help to improve further the quality of young people's learning experiences.
- Continue to improve approaches to the planning of learning. Teachers should make full use of all available information about young people to ensure that all learners make the best possible progress.
- Continue to improve attainment at National 5 and Higher. This should include a focus on more young people achieving high quality passes.

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 Gleniffer High School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	good
Raising attainment and achievement	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: [Gleniffer High School | Inspection Report | 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. Renfrewshire Council 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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