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Dear Parent/Carer

In December 2022, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited St Peter's RC 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 school's shared values are clearly linked to Gospel Values. They are evident in the inclusive, caring ethos at St Peter's. All staff have very positive, caring relationships with children, and children are kind and respectful to each other. This helps to create a calm, purposeful environment where children are valued and supported in their learning and wellbeing.
- The headteacher and depute headteacher provide strong leadership and a clear direction for school improvement. This is based on a thorough understanding of the needs of children and families, and the progress children are making in their learning.
- Strong partnership work is helping to increase the confidence and self-esteem of children. In turn, this is helping to support an inclusive and ambitious school culture.

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

- Continue to develop high-quality learning and teaching more consistently across the school. Ensure that learning activities are challenging enough and well matched to the needs of all children.
- Build on recent improvements in attainment in literacy and numeracy to continue to improve attainment for all children, in these areas of learning and across the curriculum.

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 St Peter's RC Primary 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:

<https://education.gov.scot/education-scotland/inspection-reports/reports-page//?id=4752>

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

David Drysdale
HM Inspector