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Dear Parent/Carer

In May 2023, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Dalmarnock 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 relentless drive, focus and commitment of the headteacher to ensure all potential barriers to children's participation and achievement are addressed and overcome.
- Children who are very involved and highly engaged in their learning. They are eager to learn through the well-planned experiences teachers create for them. Children are very articulate, confident and support one another very well in their learning.
- Well-planned interventions to support children in literacy, numeracy and health and wellbeing. These are having a positive impact in closing attainment gaps that senior leaders and teachers have identified as potential barriers to children's progress and achievement.
- Well-sustained, very successful partnership working. This is helping to drive forward and approaches to promoting equity and closing attainment gaps.

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

- Continue to improve the progress, attainment and achievement of all children at all stages.
- Create more regular opportunities for teachers to engage with colleagues locally and nationally. This will help to develop teacher's professional judgment and confidence in making decisions around children's progress, measured against national standards and expectations.

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 Dalmarnock Primary School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
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:

[Details](#) | [Find an inspection report](#) | [Find an inspection report](#) | [Inspection and Review](#) | [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. 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.

JohnPaul Cassidy
HM Inspector