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Dear Parent/Carer

In March 2024, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Dunard Primary School and Nursery Class. 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.

- Children in the school and nursery who are polite, friendly and keen to learn. They are kind to each other and are proud to attend the school.
- Staff's initial steps in developing children's wellbeing. This is helping children to be able to discuss their feelings and understand how to improve their own wellbeing.
- Children most affected by disadvantage attain as well as their peers in literacy and numeracy.

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

- Senior leaders need to develop a strategic overview of how they plan to improve the school and nursery. All staff need to be provided with increased opportunities to lead improvement priorities across the school and nursery.
- Senior leaders need to develop how they monitor and evaluate the work of the school and nursery. They should ensure that teachers and practitioners are more actively involved in evaluating a wide range of evidence to support and inform improvement.
- Staff need to improve approaches to learning, teaching and assessment to ensure all children receive consistently high-quality learning experiences.
- Senior leaders should review the way in which additional support is provided. There is a need to minimise disruption to children's learning in class and to ensure improved progress in all curricular areas.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using four quality indicators from [How good is our school? \(4th edition\)](#) and [How good is our early learning and childcare?](#). 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 Dunard Primary School and Nursery Class

Quality indicators for the primary stages	Evaluation
Leadership of change	weak
Learning, teaching and assessment	satisfactory
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	satisfactory
Raising attainment and achievement	satisfactory
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our school? (4th edition), Appendix 3: The six-point scale	

Quality indicators for the nursery class	Evaluation
Leadership of change	satisfactory
Learning, teaching and assessment	satisfactory
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	satisfactory
Securing children's progress	satisfactory
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our early learning and childcare? Appendix 1: 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?

As a result of our inspection findings we think that the school needs additional support and more time to make necessary improvements. We will liaise with Glasgow City Council regarding the school's capacity to improve. We will return to carry out a further inspection of the school within one year of the publication of this letter. We will discuss with Glasgow City Council the details of this inspection. When we return to inspect the school we will write to you as parents/carers informing you of the progress the school has made.

Graeme Gordon
HM Inspector