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Dear Parent/Carer

In May 2022 a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Fairview Beaconhurst School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and children and young people and worked closely with the headteacher and staff. We gathered evidence to evaluate the quality of leadership and management, learning and teaching and children's and young people's success and achievements.

The inspection team found the following strengths in the school's work:

- The inspirational leadership of the headteacher who has empowered all staff to be ambitious for themselves and the children and young people in the school.
- Children and young people who are polite, well behaved and enthusiastic about their learning. They are supported very well by a caring and nurturing staff team. Together they have successfully created a positive environment which encourages students to be confident in taking risks in their learning.
- The attentiveness to the wellbeing of children and young people and the collaborative approaches to meeting learning needs. As a result, children and young people feel included and respected.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the headteacher and Board of Governors:

- Continue as planned to adapt the curriculum for the Primary Years Programme and Middle Years Programme. This will help to ensure learners experience relevant contexts for their learning.
- Widen the representation on the Board of Directors with clear roles and lines of accountability.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using four 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 Fairview Beaconhurst

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Leadership and management of staff	very good
Learning, teaching and assessment	very good
Curriculum	good
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	very good
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our school? (4th edition)	

What happens next?

Recommendation for Registrar's consideration

As a result of the overall quality of education provided by the school, we will make no further visits in connection with this inspection. The Board of Governors will inform parents about the school's progress as part of their arrangements for reporting to parents on the quality of the school. Education Scotland will copy this report to the Registrar of Independent Schools for information.

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