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Dear Parent/Carer

In September 2019, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited St Peter's 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 headteacher has a clear understanding of the future direction of the school. She knows the children, staff and parents well. She is working with all staff to strengthen the school culture.
- Children's emotional wellbeing and resilience are being supported through the positive ethos and relationships amongst staff, pupils and families.
- Teachers provide a variety of activities for children who are happy, keen to learn and who enjoy coming to school.

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

- Across the school, teachers need to develop and agree a shared understanding of what high quality learning and teaching looks like. This should form the basis of future discussions and school planning.
- Children's voices and choices should be increased, particularly in relation to their learning. They should be more involved in choosing, planning and assessing their work to help them understand what and why they are learning.
- All staff should focus on raising children's attainment and achievement. This should be central to all initiatives and activities. Children with additional needs should have clearer and more focused plans to help increase their rate of progress.

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 Primary School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	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	

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=4746>

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

Ann Floyd
HM Inspector