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Dear Parent/Carer

In October 2022, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Lourdes RC Secondary School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and young people and worked closely with the headteacher and staff.

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

- The positive relationships between young people, and young people and staff. These relationships support a positive culture of high expectations for young people, who feel valued and supported.
- Young people know themselves as learners and are able to discuss their strengths and next steps in learning.
- The high quality provision for young people with additional support needs within the Learning Zone is helping young people to attain and achieve well.
- Improvements in attainment in the senior school. Young people are achieving better across a number of national measures than learners with similar needs and backgrounds across Scotland.

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

- Continue to ensure young people are able to attain highly across all curricular areas in the broad general education.
- Develop a whole school overview of achievements in order to plan for skills development more effectively.

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 Lourdes Secondary 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:

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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.

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HM Inspector