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Dear Parent/Carer

In October 2016 a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Ruthvenfield Primary School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and young people and worked closely with the headteacher and staff. We gathered evidence to evaluate the quality of leadership and management, learning provision and young people's success and achievements.

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

- The vision and leadership of the headteacher in promoting a whole-school community approach to improving outcomes for all children.
- The dedication and teamwork of all staff in providing a safe and stimulating environment for learning.
- Articulate and confident children who attain highly and are motivated to learn and do well.
- Approaches to developing children's skills for learning, life and the world of work.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the headteacher and a representative from Perth and Kinross Council:

- Continue with plans to promote diversity across the life of the school and to further develop children's understanding of their own health and wellbeing.

Quality indicators help schools, education authorities and inspectors to judge what is good and what needs to be improved in the work of the school. You can find these quality indicators in the publication *How good is our school*¹? Following the inspection of each school, the Scottish Government gathers evaluations of three important quality indicators to keep track of how well all Scottish schools are doing.

Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for Ruthvenfield Primary School

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| Leadership of change | Very good |
| Learning, teaching and assessment | Very good |
| Raising attainment and achievement | Very good |
| Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion | Good |

The letter is available on the Education Scotland website at <http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/inspectionandreview/reports/school/primsec/RuthvenfieldPrimarySchoolPerthandKinross.asp>

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. Perth and Kinross 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

¹ How good is our school? (4th Edition) 2015 [How good is our school? \(fourth edition\)](#)

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