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Dear Parent/Carer

In March 2019, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Northview House (Curo Salus). During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and children and young people and worked closely with the head of education and psychology and staff.

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

- An outstanding child-centred culture across the school. This is underpinned by caring and nurturing relationships between staff, children and young people.
- Led and directed by the senior leadership team, there is highly effective teamwork between care and education staff. This is supporting children and young people to behave very well and engage successfully with their learning.
- The innovative therapeutic approaches in place to help children and young people to improve their wellbeing. This is leading to children and young people being happy, confident and resilient.
- The range and number of National Qualifications and wider awards achieved by children and young people. This is helping young people to move into employment, training or further education when they leave school.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the head of education and psychology and the senior leadership team.

- As planned, staff should continue to develop the use of digital technology to enhance learning experiences.

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 Northview House (Curo Salus)

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:
<https://education.gov.scot/inspection-reports/renfrewshire/8680043>

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

Steven McPherson
HM Inspector