



31 May 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Baldragon Academy – Education Scotland/HM Inspectors Further Inspection 17 June 2024

As you know, HM Inspectors visited Baldragon Academy in December 2023. HM Inspectors are continuing to engage with us around our school improvements, and our capacity for improvement, and we look forward to welcoming HM Inspectors back to our school on 17 June 2024.

In their December follow up letter to parents (<https://tinyurl.com/muwjdn7>), HM Inspectors noted:

- Overall, young people reporting an improved sense of safety.
- Stronger, more effective, arrangements to monitor young people's attendance.
- Greater consistency across the school and features of highly effective practice in learning, teaching, and assessment.
- More effective and robust approaches to monitoring progress in learning.
- Improvements in achievement and attainment, and in particular within [SCQF](#) literacy and numeracy.

Since December, **we have continued to improve by:**

- Ensuring all staff fully understand their role in, and responsibilities to, child welfare and safeguarding.
- Implementing stronger, more effective and robust, approaches to anti-bullying and equalities.
- Strengthening our responses to behavioural issues by implementing refreshed approaches to behaviour management and relationships for learning.
- Significantly increasing SQA presentation numbers for pupils at National 5 and Higher.
- Implementing refreshed approaches to planning for learning, teaching and assessment which ensures that pupils are better challenged and motivated in their learning.
- Securing numerous local and national educational awards and accreditations through the work of our school.

In preparation for our further inspection in June, I would really appreciate it if you could take a few moments to share your views and feedback to Education Scotland/HM Inspectors – please click the link, or copy into your browser, to open the parents' questionnaire <https://tinyurl.com/BAHMIJune>.

The questionnaire will close on Thursday 6 June at midnight.

Your feedback will go directly to Education Scotland/HM Inspectors and will help to inform their work with us.

Yours faithfully,

H McAninch
Headteacher