



# Milne's High School

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Dear Parent

## Schools for the Future Visit 2 September and 3 September 2019

As you are no doubt aware, we received a visit from a team of local authority officers and senior leaders from other schools as part of a planned programme of school visits to review the educational experience on offer. A report will be published in due course and this letter intends to provide initial feedback on the overall outcome of the visit.

The overall messages were very positive. The team reported that we know our school well and are working hard to achieve our strategic aims. A range of parents, pupils and staff contributed in many ways, demonstrating the ethos and values of the school. Rhonda Geddes-Stewart, at the time Chair of the Parent Council and Roma Coull, Head Prefect, provided an excellent welcome on behalf of our school community. Many parents took part in focus groups, some offering to substitute at the last minute, and all these efforts are gratefully appreciated.

The team were impressed with many aspects of our school. They felt that we know our strengths and areas for development, relations between students and staff are strong, staff work collaboratively and regularly evaluate their efforts. The learning environment is supportive and learning and teaching encourages pupils to do well and that we are moving in the right direction to achieve the school vision.

Part of the process highlights areas for improvement, all of which are a continuation of work already commenced and detailed in our School Improvement Plan (SIP). The team especially complemented the fact that the SIP includes items led by a range of staff, pupils and parents which corresponds with the national drive towards schools being empowered to lead change.

Additionally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Geddes-Stewart for her significant contribution to school improvement during her four years as leader of our Parent Council. Mr Nick Chambers was elected chair at the recent AGM and we look forward to continuing the strong foundation of working together for the best in our community. The next meeting of Milne's High School Parent Council will be at 7 pm on Monday 30 September 2019 at the school. All parents will be made very welcome.

Regards

Trish Cameron  
Head Teacher