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Dear Parent/Carer

In May 2019, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited King's Road Primary School and Nursery Class. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and children and worked closely with the headteacher and staff.

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

- The effective leadership of the headteacher. She has created an environment where staff feel valued and are working together as a team to improve their school.
- The positive relationships across the school and nursery, which are helping children to engage more effectively in opportunities for learning.
- Polite, helpful children who enjoy being involved in decision making about their school.
- Approaches to family learning in the nursery, that are supporting parents and carers to share in their children's learning at home.

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

- Improve approaches to learning and teaching to ensure that children's experiences are of a consistently high quality across the school and nursery.
- Improve approaches to assessment and moderation to better inform and support children's progress in learning, and raise attainment in the school and nursery.
- Continue to develop the curriculum to ensure that children benefit from progressive learning opportunities, which reflect the context of the school and nursery.
- Continue to develop nurturing approaches to support all staff to meet the needs of all children in the school and nursery.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using four quality indicators from [How good is our school? \(4th edition\)](#) and [How good is our early learning and childcare?](#) 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 King's Road Primary School and Nursery Class

Quality indicators for the primary stages	Evaluation
Leadership of change	satisfactory
Learning, teaching and assessment	satisfactory
Raising attainment and achievement	satisfactory
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	satisfactory
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our school? (4th edition), Appendix 3: The six-point scale	

Quality indicators for the nursery class	Evaluation
Leadership of change	satisfactory
Learning, teaching and assessment	satisfactory
Securing children's progress	satisfactory
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	satisfactory
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our early learning and childcare? Appendix 1: 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/fife/5444829>

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

Liz Angus
HM Inspector