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Dear Parent/Carer

In January 2025, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Burghead Primary School Nursery Class. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and worked closely with the manager and staff.

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

- Positive, nurturing relationships between all staff and children. Senior leaders and practitioners do their very best to ensure children feel safe, confident and included. Children thrive within the family of Burghead Nursery Class.
- Children who are motivated, curious and eager to learn. The manager and practitioners have created a calm and relaxed environment for children to learn through rich learning experiences.
- Extensive use of the local community. This provides children with a wide variety of opportunities to help them learn about the community in which they live. As a result, children gain a deep knowledge about the people, places and wildlife in their local area. They are valued members of their community.
- Skilful interactions of the manager and practitioners which extend and deepen children's thinking. They know children very well as individuals and as learners. As a result, children make very good progress in their learning.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the manager/ and a representative from Moray Council.

- Streamline the approaches to planning, recording and tracking children's learning. This should avoid duplication of documentation and provide a clear and coherent picture of the significant aspects of children's learning and development.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the setting's work using quality indicators from [How good is our early learning and childcare?](#). Quality indicators help learning and childcare settings, local authorities and inspectors to judge what is working well and what needs to be improved.

## Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for Burghead Primary School Nursery Class

Quality indicators for the nursery class	Evaluation
<b>Learning, teaching and assessment</b>	<b>very good</b>
<b>Securing children's progress</b>	<b>very good</b>
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: <a href="#">How good is our early learning and childcare? Appendix 1: The six-point scale</a>	

A more detailed document called Summarised Inspection Findings (SIF) will be available on the Education Scotland website at:

[Burghead Primary School | Inspection Report | Education Scotland](#)

### What happens next?

We are confident that the setting has the capacity to continue to improve and so we will make no more visits in connection with this inspection. Moray Council will inform parents/carers about the school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its settings.

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