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Dear Parent/Carer

In May 2023, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Inverkeilor 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.

- Strong, nurturing relationships between staff and children across the school and nursery. As a result, children are calm, relaxed and enthusiastic about their learning.
- Staff who work well as a team to improve the school and meet the needs of all children. This is resulting in most children making good progress in their learning.
- The well considered approaches to meeting the needs of children who find learning challenging.

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

- Provide children with opportunities to increase their self-confidence by leading their own learning and having more of a say in the life of the school.
- Continue to raise attainment across the school and nursery.
- Continue to improve approaches to learning, teaching and assessment in the nursery so that children can make better progress.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using 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 Inverkeilor Primary School and Nursery Class

Quality indicators for the primary school	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	good
Raising attainment and achievement	good
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
Learning, teaching and assessment	good
Securing children's progress	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: [Reports page | Inspection reports | Education Scotland](#).

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

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HM Inspector