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Dear Parent/Carer

In December 2022, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Crookfur Primary School and Crookfur Family Centre. 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 nurturing ethos and positive relationships that exist across Crookfur Primary School and Crookfur Family Centre. Led ably by the headteacher and senior leaders, children and their families feel a welcomed part of a strong community.
- Practitioners, teachers and all staff work very well as a team to help children learn and achieve. This is improving learning experiences and outcomes for all children.
- The very stimulating environment in the family centre where children have freedom to explore, create and learn through high quality play.
- Across the school, children have very good opportunities to achieve success and develop a wide range of skills through a variety of clubs, committees and groups.
- The consistently high levels of children's progress, attainment and achievement across the family centre and school.

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

- Continue to develop approaches to high quality learning, teaching and assessment across the school. In the family centre, involve children and parents more fully in planning next steps in learning.
- Continue to support children to articulate fully the skills for learning, life and work they are developing through their learning and achievements.

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 Crookfur Primary School and Family Centre

| Quality indicators for the primary school | Evaluation |
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| Learning, teaching and assessment | very good |
| Raising attainment and achievement | very 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 |
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| Learning, teaching and assessment | very good |
| Securing children's progress | very good |
| 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/education-scotland/inspection-reports/reports-page//?id=2233>

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. East Renfrewshire 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