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Dear Parent/Carer

In June 2023, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Humbie 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 highly effective headteacher, who is providing clear leadership of learning across the school and nursery. She is building a staff team who are committed to improving outcomes for children.
- The successful approaches staff are taking to support children's wellbeing and develop positive relationships across the school and nursery. These approaches are improving children's readiness to learn and helping them to be resilient, happy and caring.
- The effective whole school approaches staff use to improve the teaching of reading. These approaches are raising children's attainment and closing identified gaps in this area.
- The very responsive and high-quality experiences children have in the nursery. This is helping children to make very good progress in their learning.

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

- Continue to improve approaches to delivering high-quality learning, teaching and assessment across the school and nursery. Staff should look to share effective practice with each other and with colleagues in other schools.
- Continue to raise children's attainment in literacy and numeracy. This should help all children to make the best possible 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 Humbie 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	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:

[Details](#) | [Find an inspection report](#) | [Find an inspection report](#) | [Inspection and Review](#) | [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. East Lothian Council will inform parents/carers about the school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its schools.

Helen Mulholland
HM Inspector