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Dear Parent/Carer

In April 2023, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Kirktonholme Nursery East Kilbride. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and worked closely with the manager/head of setting and staff.

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

- Positive relationships. Children who are happy, confident and make good progress in their learning.
- Practitioners, who provide well thought through and engaging experiences.
- Senior leaders who are developing their teams knowledge and skills through continuous professional learning, which is leading to positive outcomes for children.
- Attractive, inviting and well-considered indoor and outdoor spaces across the setting support children well in their play.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the manager/head of setting and a representative from South Lanarkshire Council.

- Continue to develop approaches to planning to support practitioners to capture the wide range of learning experiences provided. This will enable them to identify any gaps in learning over time.
- Continue to develop practitioners understanding and confidence to track the skills children develop as a result of their nursery experience, as planned.

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 Kirktonholme Nursery East Kilbride

Quality indicators for the nursery class	Evaluation
<b>Learning, teaching and assessment</b>	<b>good</b>
<b>Securing children's progress</b>	<b>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: [Reports page | Inspection reports | 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. South Lanarkshire Council will inform parents/carers about the setting's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its settings.

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