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Dear Parent/Carer

In September 2022, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Dennistoun Early Years Centre. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and worked closely with the head of centre and practitioners.

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

- The very good leadership of the head of centre and depute. They have led the strong team of practitioners very well during challenging times whilst continuing to sustain high quality early learning and childcare.
- Highly effective practitioners who provide rich learning experiences both indoors and outdoors to promote and support children's thinking, curiosity and enquiry.
- Strong relationships and partnerships across the setting and beyond which make a significant difference to the wellbeing and outcomes for children and families.
- The very good progress children are making in their development and learning, particularly in early communication and language and early numeracy.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the head of centre and a representative from Glasgow City Council.

- Continue to extend leadership at all levels to enhance shared ownership of the centre's improvement plan and future developments.
- Progress the relevant priorities identified in the centre's improvements plan.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate some of the setting's work using four quality indicators from [How good is our early learning and childcare?](#) Quality indicators help early learning and childcare settings, local authorities and inspectors to judge what is working well and what needs to be improved. Following the inspection of each setting, the Scottish Government gathers details of our evaluations to keep track of how well Scottish early learning and childcare settings are doing.

## Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for Dennistoun Early Years Centre

Quality indicators	Evaluation
<b>Leadership of change</b>	<b>very good</b>
<b>Learning, teaching and assessment</b>	<b>very good</b>
<b>Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion</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:  
<https://education.gov.scot/education-scotland/inspection-reports/reports-page//?id=25765>.

### 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. Glasgow City 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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