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Dear Parent/Carer

In March 2025, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Brora 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.

- Children across the school and nursery who are friendly, polite and welcoming. Led
 effectively by the headteacher, all staff ensure that positive relationships exist between
 children and between children and staff. Children are proud of their school, demonstrate
 very high standards of behaviour and are motivated to learn.
- The improvements to systems and processes for gathering and using information on children's learning and progress in the school. This is supporting staff to have a better understanding of children's progress over time.
- Practitioners in the nursery who know children very well as individuals. They work with children sensitively providing appropriate support and challenge which is helping children to make continuous progress.

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

- Across the school and nursery, staff should continue to develop approaches to learning, teaching and assessment. In particular, teachers need to focus on ensuring learning is well matched to the needs of all children. This will support children to make the best possible progress.
- Building on existing strengths in the school and nursery, staff should continue to work together to raise further children's attainment in literacy and numeracy.



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 Brora 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? (4 th edition), Appendix 3: The six-point scale	

Quality indicators for the nursery class	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	good
Securing children's progress	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:

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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. The Highland 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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