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Dear Parent/Carer

In January 2025, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Ceres 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 effective leadership of the headteacher, supported well by the principal teacher and staff team. She has created a culture of shared school improvement, where staff are empowered to lead change. Together they are securing positive outcomes for children.
- Staff in the school and nursery have developed extremely positive and nurturing relationships with children. This is helping children to engage very well in learning experiences.
- Across the school and nursery, children are welcoming, confident and proud of their school. They make very good progress in learning.
- Staff in the school and nursery are skilled in supporting children's wellbeing. As a result, the children are confident learners and their needs are being met. Children understand what good wellbeing looks like and have many opportunities to be successful.

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

- In the school and nursery, staff should develop further children's leadership opportunities. This will support children to contribute more fully to school improvement and continue to apply and extend their range of skills.
- In the school, staff should continue to develop high-quality approaches to learning and teaching consistently across classes. They should share good practice and look outwards to develop this further.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using four 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 Ceres Primary School and Nursery Class

Quality indicators for the primary stages	Evaluation
<b>Leadership of change</b>	<b>good</b>
<b>Learning, teaching and assessment</b>	<b>good</b>
<b>Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion</b>	<b>very good</b>
<b>Raising attainment and achievement</b>	<b>very good</b>
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: <a href="#">How good is our school? (4<sup>th</sup> edition), Appendix 3: The six-point scale</a>	

Quality indicators for the nursery class	Evaluation
<b>Leadership of change</b>	<b>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:

[Ceres Primary School | Inspection Report | 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. Fife 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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