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Dear Parent/Carer

In March 2020, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Eastfield 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 who are polite, well-behaved, motivated and come to school and nursery eager and ready to learn.
- Within the nursery, children's level of engagement when they use open-ended and natural materials to support their imaginative play.
- Within the school, children's opportunities for wider achievement, particularly through sport and effective partnership working.
- Led by the headteacher, the strengthening approaches to tracking and monitoring. This is leading to improvements in children's progress and attainment.

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

- Continue to develop a shared understanding of expectations of what children can achieve across the school and nursery to raise attainment further.
- In the nursery, review and refresh the balance of adult and child-led experiences to enable children to lead their play more independently.
- In the school, continue to increase opportunities for creative and innovative learning across the curriculum to support children to become more independent learners.

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 Eastfield 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	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:
<https://education.gov.scot/education-scotland/inspection-reports/reports-page/?id=2486>

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. North Lanarkshire 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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HM Inspector