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Dear Parent/Carer

In December 2023, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Winton Primary School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and children and worked closely with the headteacher and staff.

Winton Early Years Class was inspected by Care Inspectorate within the past 18 months. Therefore, we have agreed with the local authority and school that the nursery class is not part of this inspection.

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

- Led ably by senior leaders, staff, children and families work very well together as part of the 'Winton family' to promote positive and respectful relationships. As a result, children enjoy school, behave well and engage positively in their learning.
- The whole staff team have developed inclusive learning environments that support children who require help with their learning. This enables children to improve their wellbeing, make good progress and achieve well.
- Staff develop their practice well through strong professional partnerships and collaboration as a team. This is improving children's experiences.

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

- Continue to strengthen the use of assessment information to plan learning which is consistently at the right level of difficulty for all children.
- Continue to raise attainment and achievement for children across the school. This will be supported by evidencing more clearly the impact support for individuals and groups has on their progress and attainment.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using quality indicators from [How good is our school? \(4<sup>th</sup> edition\)](#). 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 Winton Primary School.

Quality indicators	Evaluation
<b>Learning, teaching and assessment</b>	<b>good</b>
<b>Raising attainment and achievement</b>	<b>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>	

A more detailed document called Summarised Inspection Findings (SIF) will be available on the Education Scotland website at: [Details | Find an inspection report | Find an inspection report | Inspection and Review | 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. North Ayrshire Council will inform parents/carers about the school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its schools.

Gillian Frew  
HM Inspector