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Dear Parent/Carer

In October 2023, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Clober Primary School and Early Years Centre. 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's achievements and successes in the Early Years Centre. Their 'Clober Enterprises,' work on children's rights and overall success is recognised through national awards.
- Led by the headteacher and senior leaders, children learn in an environment where the school vision, values and aims support strong, nurturing relationships.
- Children are proud of their school. They are welcoming, engaging and speak enthusiastically about their learning.
- Staff across the school know children and families well. They work hard together to provide a range of effective supports to address children's barriers to learning.

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

- Staff in the Early Years Centre should continue to develop working relationships further to support the pace of change and improvement.
- Children need more opportunities to set targets to improve their learning. Staff should give children greater opportunities to lead their learning.
- Staff should continue to develop high-quality learning and teaching more consistently across the school. They need to develop further their understanding of national standards to improve the accuracy of their assessments of children's learning.
- Senior leaders and staff should continue to raise attainment across the school.

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 Clober Primary School and Early Years Centre.

| Quality indicators for the primary stages | Evaluation |
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| Leadership of change | good |
| Learning, teaching and assessment | good |
| Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion | 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 early years centre | Evaluation |
|--|-------------|
| Leadership of change | good |
| Learning, teaching and assessment | good |
| Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion | 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:

[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. East Dunbartonshire 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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