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Dear Parent/Carer

In June 2024, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Cramond 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.

- Staff who work together very effectively to create calm, nurturing and supportive learning environments. They provide children with opportunities to develop as successful learners which supports strong attainment in literacy and numeracy.
- Children who are polite, happy and enthusiastic. They enjoy learning in school and nursery. They show respect, care and kindness as they learn and play together. Children are very proud of their school and nursery.
- The very good opportunities for children to achieve success and develop a wide range of skills through a variety of clubs, committees and groups. This is developing successfully children's leadership roles and skills for learning, life and work.
- At the primary stages, staff and children use digital technology very well. This is supporting children to develop knowledge and skills in communication, critical thinking, creativity and collaboration.

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

- As planned, senior leaders should develop new approaches to checking on children's progress across all curricular areas in the school and nursery. This will enhance current planning for children's learning.
- Senior leaders and staff in the nursery should develop consistency in gathering assessment information on children's learning. This will help ensure that children's progress is tracked more effectively over time.

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 Cramond Primary School and Nursery Class

Quality indicators for the primary school	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	very good
Raising attainment and achievement	very 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: [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. The City of Edinburgh 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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