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Dear Parent/Carer

In June 2026, a team of HM Inspectors of Education visited Bridge of Weir 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 in the school and Early Learning and Childcare Centre (ELCC) who are highly motivated and engaged in their learning. They support one another very well in tasks and activities and take a proactive role in their learning, showing curiosity about the world around them.
- The outstanding support of the headteacher and senior leaders to encourage staff to engage in professional learning to improve learning and teaching. This has a very positive impact on children's learning experiences and outcomes. Teachers and staff in the ELCC share successes of professional learning with colleagues beyond the school to support wider change and improvement.
- Teachers' very effective approaches to plan highly motivating learning experiences underpinned by exceptionally strong approaches to assessment. This ensures that children experience learning which is relevant, engaging and matched very well to their needs and abilities.
- The very high quality, progressive programme of outdoor learning in the school and ELCC. Children demonstrate very high levels of engagement and enjoyment when learning in and about the outdoors. This supports wellbeing, helps children to appreciate nature and the love of the outdoors and make very strong progress across the curriculum.
- Children in the school and ELCC develop their curiosity, creativity, independence and problem-solving very well through high quality learning experiences. They regularly attain and achieve beyond national standards and develop and apply a wide range of skills for learning, life and work.

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

- In the ELCC, continue to strengthen staff's understanding of the curriculum, making clearer links between children's experiences, learning and progress.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using two quality indicators from [How good is our school \(4th edition\)](#). 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 HMIE's evaluations for Bridge of Weir Primary School and Nursery Class

Quality indicators for the primary school	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	excellent
Raising attainment and achievement	excellent
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our school (4th edition) Appendix 3: The six-point scale	

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the ELC's work using three quality indicators from the [Quality improvement framework for the early learning and childcare sectors](#).

Quality indicators for the nursery class	Evaluation
Curriculum	very good
Learning, teaching and assessment	very good
Wellbeing, inclusion and equality	very good

A more detailed document called Summarised Inspection Findings (SIF) will be available on the HMIE website at:

[Bridge Of Weir Primary School | Inspection Report | His Majesty's Inspectorate of Education in 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. Renfrewshire 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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On behalf of His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education in Scotland