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Dear Parent/Carer

In May 2026, a team of HM Inspectors of Education visited Rascals Nursery. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and worked closely with the manager and practitioners.

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

- Together, the manager and staff have created a welcoming environment for children to play. They place high importance on relationships and the care and wellbeing of children. As a result, children are happy, settled and secure in nursery.
- Staff provide a wide range of experiences both indoors and outdoors. Children are enthusiastic, motivated and engage well in their play.
- The manager and staff work well with parents and partners to support children who require additional help with their learning. As a result, children are fully included in all nursery experiences.

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

- The manager should work with staff, children and parents to develop the curriculum. In doing so, they should ensure children experience appropriate levels of challenge to deepen their knowledge and skills across all curricular areas.
- The manager and staff need to improve the quality and consistency of observations with a greater focus on significant learning. This should help staff plan for children's learning more effectively.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate some of the setting's work using three quality indicators from the [Quality improvement framework for the early learning and childcare sectors](#). Quality indicators help early learning and childcare settings, local authorities and inspectors to judge what is working well and what needs to be improved. Following the inspection of each setting, the Scottish Government gathers details of our evaluations to keep track of how well Scottish early learning and childcare settings are doing.

Here are HMIE's evaluations for Rascals Nursery

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Curriculum	satisfactory
Learning, teaching and assessment	satisfactory
Wellbeing, inclusion and equality	good
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: Quality improvement framework for the early learning and childcare sectors	

A more detailed document called Summarised Inspection Findings (SIF) will be available on the HMIE website at: [Rascals Nursery | Inspection Report | His Majesty's Inspectorate of Education in Scotland](#)

What happens next?

We are confident that the setting has the capacity to continue to improve and so we will make no more visits in connection with this inspection. South Lanarkshire Council will inform parents/carers about the setting's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its settings.

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 HM Inspector

On behalf of His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education in Scotland