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Dear Parent/Carer

In July 2026, a team of HM Inspectors of Education visited ABC Private Nursery now known as The Grange Early Years. 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.

- Children are happy, confident and highly engaged in their learning. They play well together and are forming friendships. Children are independent and show creativity and imagination in their play.
- The manager and staff create a welcoming and inclusive environment for children and families. This has a positive impact on outcomes for children, including those who may need additional support with their learning.
- The manager and staff provide a curriculum enriched by wide ranging opportunities outdoors and through community partnerships. Children experience a relevant and interesting range of experiences. This supports their wellbeing and helps them develop important skills for life and learning.

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

- Continue to increase opportunities for children to learn through a wider range of digital technologies.
- Develop short-term playroom planning by giving each member of staff specific responsibilities for spaces and resources both indoors and outside. Staff should now extend observations to include a stronger focus on the skills children are learning.

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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 ABC Private Nursery now known as The Grange Early Years

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Curriculum	**very good**
Learning, teaching and assessment	**good**
Wellbeing, inclusion and equality	**very 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: ABC Private Nursery (The Grange Early Learning) | 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. West Lothian 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

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