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Dear Parent/Carer

In February 2025, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Casa Dei Bambini Montessori Pre-School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and worked closely with the manager and staff.

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

- Happy, settled children who share well, cooperate and show good imagination in aspects of their play. They are confident and are making good progress in their learning.

- The warm, welcoming and inclusive environment which helps children feel safe and secure. The positive relationships between children, staff and families contribute to the strong sense of community across the setting.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the manager.

- Staff should focus playroom planning on the quality and intended outcomes of learning rather than activities. This will help to ensure that both experiences and the structure of the day better meet children's needs.

- Continue to develop the tracking of children's learning experiences through the early level of Curriculum for Excellence. This will ensure greater breadth and balance in children's overall experience and development.

- Plan learning experiences which allow children to develop skills in a wider range of curriculum areas, including digital technologies. Children need opportunities to apply their skills in literacy and numeracy in real-life meaningful contexts.

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We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the setting's work using quality indicators from How good is our early learning and childcare?. Quality indicators help learning and childcare settings, local authorities and inspectors to judge what is working well and what needs to be improved.

Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for Casa Dei Bambini Montessori Pre-School

Quality indicators for the nursery class	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	**satisfactory**
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:
Casa Dei Bambini Montessori Pre-school | Inspection Report | Education 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 school's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its settings.

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HM Inspector

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