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Dear Parent/Carer

In August 2026, a team of HM Inspectors of Education visited Isobel Mair School and Family Centre. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and children and young people and worked closely with the headteacher and staff.

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

- The headteacher and other school leaders work very well with staff to create a highly nurturing environment where children and young people are listened to and encouraged to take part in school life. Staff promote children's rights and build positive relationships across the school. As a result, children and young people communicate their views and contribute to decisions that affect them.
- School leaders have built strong partnerships with education, health and community organisations. These partnerships help children and young people take part in a wider range of learning, sports, outdoor activities and therapeutic support.
- Children and young people enjoy learning in a school that places a strong emphasis on improving their wellbeing and personal development. School leaders and staff fulfil their responsibilities well, ensuring that children and young people receive the support they need to achieve success.
- School leaders and staff promote a strong culture of inclusion where diversity is valued and celebrated. Through learning about different cultures, faiths and protected characteristics, children and young people develop respect for others. They understand the importance of treating everyone fairly.

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

- As a next step, school leaders should take a more strategic and systematic approach to leading and quality assuring learning. They should also ensure that learning is always set at the right pace and level of difficulty.

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We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the school's work using four 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 Isobel Mair School and Family Centre

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	**very good**
Learning, teaching and assessment	**good**
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our school (4th edition) Appendix 3: The six-point scale	

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

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