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Dear Parent/Carer

In March 2017 a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Glenlyon Primary School and nursery class. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and young people and worked closely with the headteacher and staff. We gathered evidence to evaluate the quality of leadership and management, learning provision and children's success and achievements.

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

- The outstanding leadership of the headteacher in the leadership of change and improvement, leading to a high standard of provision for children.
- The adaptable and skilled staff team and their contribution to a whole-school ethos of well-being and inclusion.
- Articulate and confident children who display a strong identity to their school and community whilst showing a strong awareness of their place in the wider world.
- The quality and range of children's learning experiences including the ways in which staff and children embrace their local environment. Staff appreciate the support and contribution of parents and partners, including the local estate.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the headteacher and a representative from Perth and Kinross Council:

- Continue to refine developments to the curriculum enabling all children to make greater links across their learning.
- As planned, continue to develop approaches for moderation and tracking of progress and attainment across the curriculum.

Quality indicators help schools, education authorities and inspectors to judge what is good and what needs to be improved in the work of the school. You can find these quality indicators in the publication *How good is our school? for the primary stages and for the nursery class, How good is our Early Learning and Childcare?*¹. Following the inspection of each school, the Scottish Government gathers evaluations of three important quality indicators to keep track of how well all Scottish schools are doing.

Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for Glenlyon Primary School

Primary stages

Leadership of Change	very good
Learning, teaching and assessment	very good
Raising attainment and achievement	very good
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	very good

Nursery class

Leadership of Change	very good
Learning, teaching and assessment	very good
Securing children's progress	very good
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	very good

The letter and more detailed summarised inspection findings will be available on the Education Scotland website at <u>https://education.gov.scot/reports/perth-and-kinross/5344220</u>

¹ How good is our school? (4th Edition) 2015; How good is our Early Learning and Childcare? 2016 – <u>How Good Is</u> Our School? <u>How good is our early learning and childcare?</u>

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. Perth and Kinross 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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