

#### 3 October 2017

#### Dear Parent/Carer

In June 2017 a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited KEAR Campus. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers, children 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 successes and achievements.

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

- Senior leaders and staff provide a welcoming school environment in which children and young people feel cared for and valued. Children and young people see purpose in learning and achieving. This is helping them to move into a positive destination.
- Children's and young people's progress in literacy and English language.
- Positive relationships with staff help a number of children and young people to successfully re-engage with their learning.

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

- As an immediate priority, the school, with ongoing support from the local authority, needs
  to work with partners, notably mainstream schools, local colleges and community learning
  and development, to reduce part-time timetables in the area bases to help ensure young
  people receive their full entitlements.
- Develop more rigorous and robust approaches to self-evaluation activities in order to improve outcomes for children and young people.
- Continue to raise attainment and wider achievement for all children and young people.

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<sup>1</sup>? 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 KEAR Campus

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

The letter and more detailed summarised inspection findings will be available on the Education Scotland website at

https://education.gov.scot/inspection-reports/south-lanarkshire/1003046

## What happens next?

We will ask for a report on progress within one year of the inspection. This report will inform any decision made by Education Scotland regarding further engagement. When such a decision is made, we will write to you again detailing the improvements the school has made and outlining any further action, agreed with South Lanarkshire Council, that we intend to take.

Steven McPherson **HM** Inspector

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> How good is our school? (4<sup>th</sup> Edition) 2015 <u>How good is our school? (fourth edition)</u>

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