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| Report to: | Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area Committee |
| Date of Meeting: | 10 March 2009 |
| Report by: | Executive Director (Education Resources) |

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| Subject: | HMle Report - St Cadoc's Primary School |
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ Advise of the outcome of the inspection of St Cadoc's Primary School by HM Inspectors.

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) to note the HMle Report on St Cadoc's Primary School.

3. Background

- 3.1. St Cadoc's Primary School was inspected in November 2008.
- 3.2. There was an acting headteacher in place at the time of the inspection.
- 3.3. The inspection team observed lessons; spoke with pupils, parents and staff.

4. Findings of HM Inspectors

4.1. Particular strengths of the school

- ◆ High levels of attainment in reading, writing and mathematics
- ◆ A caring, purposeful ethos
- ◆ Positive links with the local community and parents
- ◆ Success in developing children's awareness of the importance of healthy living
- ◆ Strong sense of teamwork among staff
- ◆ Effective leadership of the acting headteacher

4.2. Examples of good practice

- ◆ The use of "literature circles" to promote reading for pleasure.
- ◆ The school's approach to promoting health and wellbeing.

4.3. The inspectors noted the school's commitment to Curriculum for Excellence and the progress it had made in introducing more opportunities for children to learn through integrated topics and practical activities.

4.4. The school has very effective arrangements in place to help children transfer from nursery to primary school and from P7 to Trinity High School.

- 4.5. The staff are committed to improving the quality of learning and teaching and feel valued and consulted by the acting headteacher. They take part in training and development activities and contribute to the school's improvement plan.
- 4.6. Main Points for Action
- ◆ Extend opportunities for children from P1 to P3 to learn through play.
 - ◆ Continue to develop the school's approaches to self-evaluation to meet children's learning needs more effectively.
- 4.7. An action plan has been prepared to address the main findings of the report. Parents will be informed of the progress achieved in overtaking these points for action.
- 5. Employee Implications**
- 5.1. None
- 6. Financial Implications**
- 6.1. None
- 7. Other Implications**
- 7.1. None
- 8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**
- 8.1. There is no requirement to carry out an impact assessment in terms of the proposals contained within this report.

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Link(s) to Council Objectives

- Raise educational attainment for all
- Increase involvement in lifelong learning
- Improve the lives of vulnerable children, young people and adults
- Improve health and increase physical activity

Previous References

None

List of Background Papers

- HMle Report of St Cadoc's Primary School

Contact for Further Information

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