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Report to:	Education Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	13 September 2011
Report by:	Executive Director (Education Resources)

Subject:	Celebrating Success – Scottish Education Awards
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ advise on the success of educational establishments at the Scottish Education Awards in June 2011.

2. Recommendation(s)

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

(1) that the success of the following at the Scottish Education Awards in June 2011 be noted:-

- Cathkin Community Nursery, Rutherglen – Partnership for Learning
- Lanark Primary School – Active Nation
- Christine Emmett, St Elizabeth's Primary School, Hamilton – Teacher of the Year

3. Background

3.1. Celebrating the success and achievements of young people and employees has been a key feature for Education Resources through nurseries, schools, youth learning centres and other services and is closely aligned to the principles of Curriculum for Excellence, where there is a focus on achievement as well as attainment.

3.2. Schools and youth learning services are centres of creativity, talent and diversity and this makes them strong and successful. Promotion and celebration of success leads to more positive learning outcomes and helps those involved to feel valued and proud of their achievement.

3.3. The Scottish Education Awards provide an opportunity for schools and services to showcase good practice with particular emphasis on the positive benefits and impact their work have on children, young people and families.

4. Scottish Education Awards 2011

4.1. The Scottish Education Awards highlight the importance of education and the value that learning brings to everyone.

4.2. On 14 June 2011, Education Resources were delighted to receive the news that 3 establishments from South Lanarkshire had achieved gold at the highly prestigious Scottish Education Awards. The extent of this success demonstrates the

commitment by nurseries, schools, youth learning centres and other services to show how they are developing very successful learners, improving their confidence, and supporting them to be responsible citizens and effective contributors.

4.3. The Education Resources Committee is invited to note and acknowledge this 'hat-trick' of success at the 2011 Scottish Education Awards which is a fantastic achievement:-

- Cathkin Community Nursery, Rutherglen – Partnership for Learning
- Lanark Primary School – Active Nation
- Christine Emmett, St Elizabeth's Primary School, Hamilton – Teacher of the Year

4.4 The awards were for the following:-

Cathkin Community Nursery – Partnership for Learning

The work of the nursery in encouraging and enabling parents and carers to become involved in supporting their children's learning. Also providing parents/carers with opportunities to enhance their own learning through various activities.

Lanark Primary School – Active Nation

The work of the school in providing, at a local level, opportunities for children to take part in outdoor learning activities, a feature of Curriculum for Excellence.

Christine Emmett, St Elizabeth's Primary School – Teacher of the Year

Nominated by pupils and colleagues at St Elizabeth's Primary as Teacher of the Year. Christine Emmett is recognised for her dedication and commitment to teaching, her work in the community and her ability to consistently place the needs of children at the heart of what she does.

5. Employee Implications

5.1. None

6. Financial Implications

6.1. None

7. Other Implications

7.1. There are no significant risk implications in terms of the information contained within this report.

7.2. There are no implications for sustainability in terms of the information contained within this report.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

8.1. There was no requirement to carry out an impact assessment in terms of the proposals contained within this report.

8.2. There is no requirement to formally consult, however, Education Resources will continue to promote and publicise success stories and achievements with establishments, parents/carers, local elected members and other stakeholders.

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Link(s) to Council Values/Improvement Themes/Objectives

- Raise educational attainment
- Improve lives of vulnerable children, young people and adults

Previous References

- Education Resources Committee – 31 August 2010

List of Background Papers

- Scottish Education Awards 2011

Contact for Further Information

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