

West Dunbartonshire Council

Report by the Executive Director of Educational Services

Education and Lifelong Learning Committee: 9 September 2009

Subject: Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education: Report on Follow-through Inspection of Renton Primary School

1. Purpose

- 1.1** To inform Members of the follow-through inspection of Renton Primary School by West Dunbartonshire Council Quality Improvement Service and the subsequent report published in June 2009, which is attached as Appendix 1.

2. Background

- 2.1** Actions taken by the department were discussed with members and a detailed action plan was prepared to address the main points for action:

- ensure that the needs of higher attaining pupils are met effectively;
- further develop the delivery of the curriculum particularly in science, technology and listening and talking;
- improve those areas that require maintenance in relation to health and safety; and
- continue to develop self-evaluation approaches with a focus on improving learning and teaching.

- 2.2** The Quality Improvement Unit visited the school to evaluate the progress made in response to the main points for action. They visited classes, talked with staff and examined evidence relating to the development work that had been identified in the school's Action Plan. They also assessed the extent to which the school was continuing to improve the quality of its work. The final report was shared with all parents and carers and school staff.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1** Members will note that in relation to the four points for action, very good progress had been made in three of the points for action identified in the original report and one had been fully met. The school had made significant progress in demonstrating continuous improvement.
- 3.2** The school had demonstrated continuous improvement in a number of areas across the school. Attainment had increased through improvements in planning and programmed activities. Self-evaluation had improved and monitoring by the headteacher and depute was making a significant impact on overall school improvement. The school was well placed to continue to build on its developments.

4. Personnel Issues

4.1 This report has no implications for personnel.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 There are no financial implications in this report.

6. Risk Analysis

6.1 There will be no further HMIE reports in connection with the inspection of Renton Primary School in December 2007. The normal school and departmental quality monitoring and assessment regimes will apply to ensure the progress made is embedded and maintained.

7. Conclusions and Officers' Recommendations

7.1 Members are requested:

- (a) to note the contents of this report; and
- (b) to congratulate the staff and pupils of Renton Primary School, for their achievements as recognised by West Dunbartonshire Council Quality Improvement Service in the report published in June 2009.

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Appendix 1 Follow-through Report – Renton Primary School - June 2009

Background papers HMIE Inspection Report of Renton Primary School - 7 September 2007

Wards Affected: Ward 2