

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by the Executive Director of Educational Services

Education and Lifelong Learning Committee: 14 March 2012

**Subject: Integrated Inspection by the Care Commission and HM
Inspectorate of Education: Follow-Through Report on Crosslet
Nursery**

1. Purpose

- 1.1** To inform Members of the Committee of the follow-through Inspection of Crosslet Nursery carried out by West Dunbartonshire Council Quality Improvement Service, and of the report published in November 2011.

2. Background

- 2.1** Crosslet Nursery's inspection report was presented to committee in February 2009. An improvement plan was prepared following the inspection to address the 3 main points for action.
- 2.2** The Quality Improvement Service visited the nursery to evaluate the progress made in response to the main points for action. They visited playrooms, talked with staff and examined evidence relating to the development work that had been identified through the inspection. They also assessed the extent to which the nursery was continuing to improve the quality of its work. The final report is shared with all parents and carers and nursery staff.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1** Members will note that good progress has been made in relation to each of the 3 main points for action.
- Improve staff knowledge of additional support needs to enable them to identify and provide relevant support for individual children.
 - Improve approaches to observing, planning and assessing children's learning to ensure the individual needs of all children are met.
 - Improve self-evaluation activities to ensure clear outcomes for children's learning.
- 3.2** Overall, the Quality Improvement Team found that the nursery was making good progress. The highly committed Manager was providing stable leadership and was a very good role model. She encouraged staff to take leading roles in developing initiatives in the nursery. This was having a positive impact on children's learning. The Quality Improvement Service will continue to support Crosslet Nursery and ensure that the improvements achieved to date continue.

4. People Implications

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 reports in connection with the inspection of Crosslet Nursery published in November 2011.

7. Equalities Impact Assessment

7.1 No significant equalities issues were identified in relation to this report.

8. Strategic Assessment

8.1 The information from this report demonstrates that the children at Crosslet Nursery are benefiting from good quality learning experiences which will be a strong foundation for their future education.

9. Conclusions and Recommendations

9.1 The nursery has made good progress in relation to the recommendation of the initial inspection report and has demonstrated continuous improvement.

9.2 The committee is invited:

- a) to note the contents of this report;
- b) to congratulate the head of centre, team leader, staff and children of Crosslet Nursery, for their achievements as recognised by West Dunbartonshire Council Quality Improvement Service in the report published in November 2011.

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Appendices:	Appendix 1 - Follow-through Inspection of Crosslet Nursery
Background Papers:	Integrated Inspection Report on Crosslet Nursery
Ward Affected:	Ward 3