

## **West Dunbartonshire Council**

### **Report by the Executive Director of Educational Services**

**Education and Lifelong Learning Committee: 13 June 2012**

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**Subject: Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education: Report on Follow-through Inspection of St.Mary's Primary School (Clydebank)**

#### **1. Purpose**

- 1.1** To inform Members of the follow-through inspection of St. Mary's Primary School by the Quality Improvement Team of Educational Services and the subsequent report, published by West Dunbartonshire Council in May 2012.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1** St. Mary's Primary School HMIE inspection report was published in May 2010. An action plan was prepared following the inspection to address the three main points for action:

- Continue to take forward Curriculum for Excellence
- Build on examples of successful learning and teaching to ensure children's learning needs are being met fully
- Extend approaches to monitoring and evaluating the work of the school in order to raise attainment.

- 2.2** The Quality Improvement Team 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 is shared with all parents and carers and school staff and is attached to this report as Appendix 1.

#### **3. Main Issues**

- 3.1** Members will note that in relation to the main points for action very good progress had been made. The school had also made good progress in demonstrating continuous improvement.
- 3.2** Overall, the Quality Improvement Team found that the school had taken forward a Curriculum for Excellence in a way that ensured that learning and teaching met the needs of all pupils. That learning was challenging, engaging and active. There was a clear focus on raising attainment and achievement of all pupils. Self-evaluation had improved across the school and involved all members of staff.

#### **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 St.Mary's Primary School published in June 2010.

#### **7. Equalities Impact**

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

#### **8. Strategic Assessment**

8.1 Educational Services has a 100% positive record with HMIE reports. This is in line with the corporate priority to provide fit for purpose services.

#### **9. Conclusions and Recommendations**

9.1 The school has made very good progress in relation to the recommendations of the initial inspection report and demonstrated continuous improvement.

9.2 Members are requested:

- (a) to note the contents of this report; and
- (b) to congratulate the head teacher, staff and pupils of St.Mary's Primary School, for their achievements as recognised by the Quality Improvement Unit in the report published in May 2012

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**Appendices**

Appendix 1 - Follow Through Inspection of St Mary's  
Primary, Duntocher

**Wards Affected:**

Ward 4