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Dear Parent/Carer

In January 2024, a team of inspectors from Education Scotland visited Jack and Jill Nursery School. During our visit, we talked to parents/carers and worked closely with the group manager, peripatetic manager and staff.

The inspection team found the following strengths in the setting's work.

- The highly effective leaders and practitioners work very well together as a team. They are highly committed to children and families, and to helping all children make the best possible progress.
- Children are making very good progress in their learning supported by skilled interactions from practitioners. Children benefit from rich sensory experiences which encourage them to explore, investigate and use their imaginations.
- Approaches to learning are child-centred and based around their ideas and interests. Staff seek and act upon children's views, so that children are motivated and engaged in their learning.
- There are strong and productive partnerships with families and external agencies. These ensure that children receive very good support in their learning and development.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the owner/manager of the setting and a representative from Moray Council.

- Develop next steps in learning which are individualised for each child, to ensure they are appropriately challenged.
- Continue as planned to take forward the priorities identified in the improvement plan.

We gathered evidence to enable us to evaluate the setting's work using quality indicators from [How good is our early learning and childcare?](#) Quality indicators help learning and childcare settings, local authorities and inspectors to judge what is working well and what needs to be improved.

Here are Education Scotland's evaluations for Jack and Jill Nursery School

Quality indicators for the nursery class	Evaluation
Learning, teaching and assessment	very good
Securing children's progress	very good
Descriptions of the evaluations are available from: How good is our early learning and childcare? Appendix 1: The six-point scale	

A more detailed document called Summarised Inspection Findings (SIF) will be available on the Education Scotland website at: [Reports page | Inspection reports | Education Scotland](#)

What happens next?

We are confident that the setting has the capacity to continue to improve and so we will make no more visits in connection with this inspection. Moray Council will inform parents/carers about the setting's progress as part of its arrangements for reporting on the quality of its settings.

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HM Inspector