ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

BUTE AND COWAL AREA COMMITTEE

COMMUNITY SERVICES: EDUCATION

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KIRN PRIMARY SCHOOL INSPECTION REPORT

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 Education Scotland inspected Kirn Primary School on week beginning 20th May and the Report was published on 20th August.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 The Area Committee is asked to note the report related to the recent Education Scotland inspection of Kirn Primary School. The action plan related to the recent Education Scotland inspection is still under construction with the Education Service but is very much so in line with the school's three year action plan already in existence.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 This inspection found the following key strengths.
 - Confident, respectful children who have a clear love of learning and great pride in their school.
 - Innovative approaches to the organisation of the curriculum to ensure children develop important skills through exciting, deep and coherent learning experiences.
 - High-quality support for children who require extra help in their learning.
 - Effective partnerships with parents, volunteers, partners and the local community to enrich and extend children's learning.
 - Inspirational and strong leadership of the headteacher which drives forward improvements to ensure all children make very good progress in their learning.

The Inspectors discussed with staff and the education authority how they might continue to improve the school and nursery class. This is what we agreed with them.

- Continue to develop day-to-day planning of learning to take account of differences in children's abilities.
- Further develop opportunities for teachers to work together to evaluate the quality and standard of children's work.

Education Scotland were satisfied with the overall quality of provision. They are confident that the school's self-evaluation processes are leading to improvements. As a result, they will make no further evaluative visits in connection with this inspection. During the inspection, they identified an aspect of innovative practice which they would like to explore further in order to share the practice with others. As a result they will work with the school and local authority in order to record and share more widely the innovative practice.

3.2 See attached Education Scotland Report.

4.0 CONCLUSION

4.1 Kirn Primary School are in the process of amending their Improvement Plan to incorporate the action points in line with the recent Education Scotland Report on the school.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy None
- 5.2 Financial None
- 5.3 Legal None
- 5.4 HR None
- 5.5 Equalities None
- 5.6 Risk None
- 5.7 Customer Service None

6.0 APPENDICES

6.1 Education Scotland Inspection Report for Kirn Primary School

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