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Parents/Carers of pupils at
Kirkmichael Primary School

Dear Parent/Carer

On 29 and 30 January 2024, a team of central officers visited Kirkmichael Primary School for a Quality Improvement Review. The purpose of the visit is to support the school with their ongoing Quality Improvement agenda. During the visit, they visited classrooms to observe learning and teaching. The team also talked to staff, parents and children and worked closely with the headteacher and principal teacher. During our visit, the team found the following strengths in the school's work:

- Children demonstrate a real pride and ownership in their school. They feel safe, respected and included.
- There are good opportunities for staff, learners and parents to lead and develop improvements and this ensures a strong sense of collegiate responsibility for implementing improvement and change. Staff, learners and parents feel they are consulted, listened to and their views are acted upon.
- Most children in P1,4 and 7 are achieving expected levels in listening and talking, reading and maths. The majority of children achieve the expected level in writing.
- Tasks, activities and resources are effectively differentiated in the majority of lessons to ensure appropriate pace and challenge for learners.
- The National Improving Writing programme in P4/5 has had a significant positive impact on children's writing.

The following areas for improvement were identified and discussed with the headteacher and staff:

- Continue to work with all stakeholders to create a shared understanding of highly effective learning and teaching and promote consistency in practice across the school.
- Consider how support for learners can be used most effectively to meet their needs.

The school will take forward these actions as part of their ongoing improvement work and the headteacher will report on their progress through their Standards and Quality Report to parents.

Yours sincerely

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