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**McClintock Primary School
Seskinore, Omagh**

Inspection Letter

May 2015

INSPECTION OF McCLINTOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL, SESKINORE, OMAGH (201-2344)
27 MAY 2015

INSPECTION LETTER

The Education and Training Inspectorate (ETI) notified McClintock Primary School of its forthcoming inspection scheduled for 27 and 28 May 2015 in line with its standard inspection notification protocols. Prior to the inspection, the school informed ETI that none of the teachers would be co-operating with the inspectors on advice from their trade union. All of the teachers in the school are involved in action short of strike. The action is not connected with the inspection process itself. Where the inspection is not carried out in full, parents and stakeholders have no complete external evaluation of the quality of education being provided by the school.

Owing to the non co-operation of the teachers, the inspectors were not able to assess the quality of learning for the children, to identify areas where provision is effective or where improvements are needed. They were not able to:

- observe learning and teaching in any of the classes;
- observe directly the children at work or to talk to them about their work;
- evaluate the quality of the provision made for the children with special educational needs;
- scrutinise the school's internal assessment data on the attainment and progress of the children;
- discuss the development of the key curricular areas under focus with the co-ordinators;
- discuss the leadership and management of the school with the principal;
- discuss the governance of the school with representatives of the board of governors; and
- elicit the views of the parents through the parental questionnaire normally distributed by the school.

Conclusion

The school's inspection is incomplete. The ETI will return as soon as possible and with little or no additional notice to complete the inspection and to issue a published report. This will include undertaking all the aspects of the inspection which were not possible during this inspection.

The school has provided ETI with oral assurances that the school's arrangements for the safeguarding of the children comply fully with the Department of Education's requirements.

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