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Report of a Follow-up Inspection

Glasswater Cross-Community Playgroup Crossgar

April 2007

**FOLLOW-UP INSPECTION IN GLASSWATER CROSS-COMMUNITY
PLAYGROUP, CROSSGAR, CO DOWN, BT30 9HS (4BB-0310)
INSPECTED: 19 APRIL 2007**

The inspection in March 2006 highlighted strengths in the ethos and the quality of the staff interaction and also identified the need for improvement in the following key area:

- the development of the written planning to ensure progression in the children's learning experiences.

In the interval since the inspection, the following action which affects the work of the pre-school centre has taken place.

- The staff have compiled planning to show progression in learning for various areas of play.
- The centre has purchased resources to improve the provision for outdoor play and information and communication technology.
- The staff have attended some relevant training courses.

This report was compiled following the inspection visit on 19 April 2007.

The following are the most important improvements brought about by the staff and the management group.

- The additional background planning provides very useful guidance for the staff to promote progression in the use of resources and the children's learning experiences. The weekly planning sheets provide more comprehensive guidance on the learning potential of activities for the staff.
- The development of the area beside the mobile playroom promotes a wider range of learning opportunities outdoors. The leader has applied for further grants to extend the outdoor play area.
- The new computers and software packages are being used effectively to enhance the children's learning.
- The leader continues to demonstrate a commitment to the future development of the centre through self-evaluation to promote continuous improvement.

The pre-school centre has made very good progress in addressing the key areas for action. The parents and broader community can have confidence in the staff's commitment to improvement and the effectiveness of their action in response to the findings of the inspection.

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