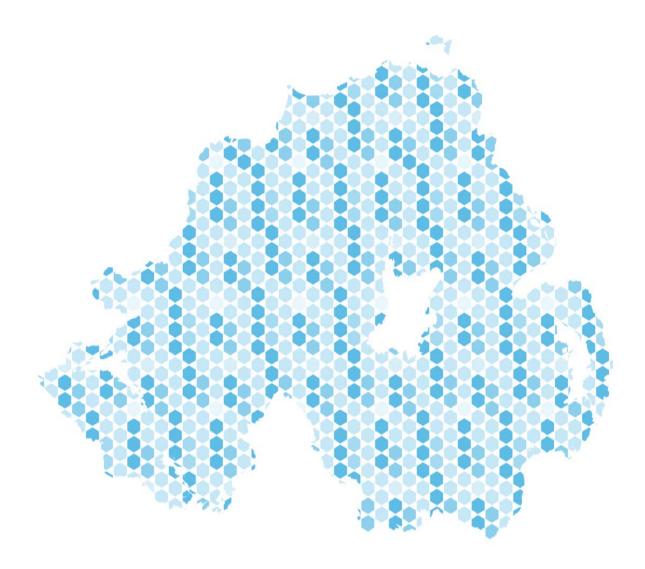
PRIMARY INSPECTION



Education and Training Inspectorate

Crawfordsburn Primary School, Bangor, County Down

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Report of a Sustaining Improvement Inspection in June 2017



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Sustaining Improvement Inspection of Crawfordsburn Primary School, Bangor, County Down (401-1645)

Introduction

The previous inspection in January 2014 evaluated the overall effectiveness of Crawfordsburn Primary School as good¹. An acting-principal has been in post from September 2014. A sustaining improvement inspection (SII) was conducted on 7 June 2017

Focus of the inspection

The inspection focused on evaluating the extent to which the school is capable of demonstrating its capacity to effect improvement through self-evaluation and effective school development planning. The school also provided evidence of provision for safeguarding as part of the inspection.

The line of inquiry during the SII was to:

 develop further the planning for, and progression in, the play-based learning programme.

Key findings

- Recent developments within foundation stage play have been guided by reflective practice and an agreed strategic direction which have been incorporated into the current school development plan. The associated action plans guide well the development of play in the foundation stage. In addition, the staff have been engaged in professional development and the sharing of good practice through local clusters.
- The planning format has been reviewed which includes evidence of progression and increased opportunities for the children to develop their literacy, numeracy and problem solving skills through the planned indoor and outdoor play. The children contribute to the planning and have developed further their input to, and review of, their own learning.

Safeguarding

During the inspection, the school provided evidence that satisfactory arrangements for safeguarding reflect broadly² the guidance issued by the relevant Departments. Work on the following aspects is underway and needs to be completed:

• to review and regularise, where necessary, relevant procedures surrounding safeguarding procedures.

Conclusion

Crawfordsburn Primary School continues to demonstrate the capacity to identify and bring about improvement in the interest of all the learners. The ETI will continue to monitor how the school sustains improvement.

¹ A school evaluated previously as good has been reported as the school demonstrating the capacity to identify and bring about improvement.

² From January 2017, arrangements evaluated previously as satisfactory are reported as reflect broadly the guidance.

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