

## **Education, Children and Families Committee Sub-Committee on Standards for Children and Families**

**2.00pm, Tuesday 29 January 2019**

**Present:**

Councillors Dickie (Convener), Bird and Mary Campbell

**Non-Members Attending:**

**Communities & Families Directorate**

Jackie Reid, Quality Improvement Education Officer

Roberta Porter, Quality Improvement Education Officer

**Leith Academy**

Michael Irving, Head Teacher

Laura Brown, Parent Council Chair

**Flora Stevenson Primary School**

Sharon McGhee, Head Teacher

**Holy Cross Primary School**

James McDevitt, Head Teacher

## 1. Minutes

---

### Decision

To approve the minute of the Sub-Committee on Standards for Children and Families of 30 October 2018 as a correct record.

## 2. Protocols for the Conduct of Meetings of the Sub-Committee on Standards for Children and Families

---

Protocols for the Sub-Committee on Standards for Children and Families were submitted.

### Decision

To note the protocols.

(Reference – Protocols for the Conduct of the Sub-Committee on Standards for Children and Families, submitted)

## 3. Leith Academy - Inspection

---

Details were provided of an inspection which had been carried out by Education Scotland at Leith Academy. A letter had been sent to parents/carers on the outcomes of the inspection and the evaluations on how well the school was doing.

The Head Teacher, Parent Council representative and Acting Quality Improvement Manager were heard on the inspection process and the areas agreed with Education Scotland to continue to improve the school.

### Decision

- 1) To note the findings of the report including the areas where the education authority and the school should continue to improve the school.
- 2) To receive an authority inspection follow through report within two years of the publication of the inspection letter.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families, submitted)

## 4. Flora Stevenson Primary School – Inspection

---

Details were provided of an inspection which had been carried out by Education Scotland at Bonaly Primary School. A letter dated 18 December 2018 had been sent to parents/carers on the outcomes of the inspection and the evaluations on how well the school was progressing.

The Head Teacher and the Quality Improvement Manager were heard on the inspection process and the areas agreed with Education Scotland to continue to improve the school.

## **Decision**

- 1) To note the findings in the report by Education Scotland including the areas where the education authority and the school should continue to improve the school.
- 2) To receive an authority inspection follow through report within 1 year of the publication of the inspection letter.

(Reference –report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families, submitted)

## **Declaration of Interest**

Councillor Dickie declared a non-financial in the above item as she was known to the Lead Officer

## **5. Holy Cross RC Primary School - Inspection**

---

Details were provided of an inspection which had been carried out by Education Scotland at Holy Cross Primary School. A letter had been sent to parents/carers on the outcomes of the inspection and the evaluations on how well the school was progressing.

The Head Teacher and the Quality Improvement Manager were heard on the inspection process and the areas agreed with Education Scotland to continue to improve the school.

## **Decision**

- 1) To note the findings of the report including the areas where the education authority and the school should continue to improve the school.
- 2) To receive an authority inspection follow through report within two years of the publication of the inspection letter.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families, submitted)

## **6. Portobello Primary School – Inspection Follow Through**

---

HM Inspectors had published a report on the quality of education in Portobello Primary School in June 2017.

The education authority had visited the school to identify the extent to which the school was continuing to develop the quality of its education including the areas identified for improvement.

## **Decision**

- 1) To note the progress made to date from the original inspection in March 2017.
- 2) To note that the education authority would not publish further reports in connection with the 2017 inspection report but would continue to work with the Head Teacher.

(References – Sub-Committee on Standards for Children and Families 5 December 2017 (item 3); report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families, submitted)