

Inspection Summary Report - December 2024

- Drumhillery Primary School have a well-embedded, shared vision where children are learning, caring and achieving.
- The dedicated and committed staff and the respectful relationships across the whole school create an environment where the children feel safe and happy.
- The current areas of focus within the one-year development plan are appropriately informed by professional judgement, are well-paced, and are beginning to impact positively on the learning experiences for the children in numeracy problem solving and using Information and Communication Technology (ICT).
- The children are enthusiastic and motivated about their learning and are respectful and supportive of their peers.
- The staff have a clear understanding and oversight of the barriers to learning faced by some children. The strategies put in place to support the children are successful in ensuring that they can integrate fully into their class and experience success in their learning.
- The pastoral and academic successes of the children are acknowledged, recognised and celebrated well across the school and within the wider community.
- When provided with the opportunities to participate in creative and engaging learning activities, the children respond enthusiastically and are developing their thinking skills and strategies for learning.
- More planned opportunities to engage in professional dialogue and learning would develop further the internal community of learning and empower all staff.

- The school is well respected and valued as an integral part of the local community and the dedicated 'Parents of Drumhillery' support group organise highly successful events and play a valuable role in supporting the school in achieving its vision and aims.
- At the time of the inspection, the evidence provided by the school demonstrates that the arrangements for child protection align to the current statutory guidance.

Areas for action:

- to identify and disseminate the effective practice within the school to develop further the children's thinking skills and strategies for learning; and
- to provide opportunities to develop further a vibrant and focused community of learning within the school which empowers all staff with the confidence and skills to meet the needs of all the children.

Going forward

- Drumhillery Primary School is an integral part of the local community and successful in providing a safe, happy and inclusive learning environment for all the children. The Christian ethos underpinned by core values and high expectations for all children ensures that each child is 'Learning, Caring and Achieving'.
- The school is well placed to take forward the areas for action set out in this report. Through the work of the district inspector, ETI will monitor the progress of Drumhillery Primary School in addressing the areas for action.