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The Quality of Provision for Children with Autistic Spectrum Disorders

in

Autism Specific Classes in the Southern Education and Library Board

Cookstown Primary School

May 2007

THE QUALITY OF PROVISION FOR CHILDREN IN THE AUTISM SPECIFIC CLASS IN COOKSTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL (501-2726)

The Education and Training Inspectorate carried out an inspection in Cookstown Primary School in May 2007. The strengths and areas for development were identified as follows.

Strengths identified include:

- the leadership of the teacher and the strong sense of collegiality and commitment of the staff to the children;
- the systematic assessment of the needs of the children;
- the very high quality of the teaching and learning; and
- the start made to planning integration activities for the children.

Areas for development include the need:

- to develop further the awareness of autism of all of the staff; and
- to explore the potential of information and communication technology to enhance the quality of the provision for the children.

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