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**Early Childhood Centre** 

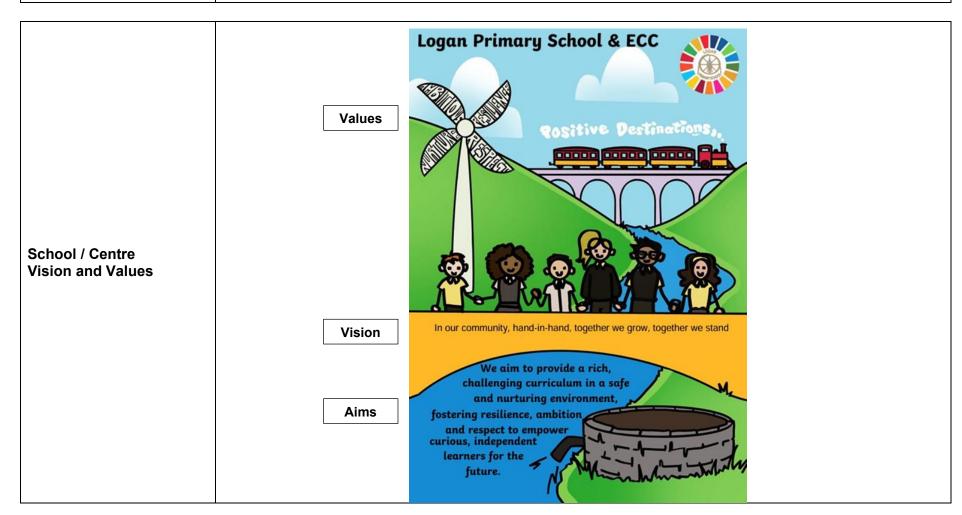






Establishment Improvement Plan 2025-26

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### **Checklist**

In line with the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000 (amended 2016), the following checklist is designed to assist Heads of establishment with whole school/centre improvement planning that fulfils statutory duties in accordance with the Act. This must be completed prior to submission.

SIP Consultation	Complete							
included the following								
stakeholders:								
Children and Young	Yes							
People								
Parent Council and Forum	Yes							
Teachers, practitioners	Yes							
and ALL school/centre	1 65							
staff								
Volunteers/ Community	Yes							
partners								
Head Teacher / Head of Ce								
Signature: Sarah Robson								

Content of plan	Complete
Takes account of strategic priorities outlined in the Education Service	Yes
Improvement Plan. https://www.east-ayrshire.gov.uk/Resources/PDF/E/Education-	
Service-Improvement-Plan.pdf	
HGIOS 4 and EYQF are used as the frameworks to inform the content of SIPs.	Yes
Where appropriate.	
https://education.gov.scot/media/v5sh3dqt/frwk2 hgios4.pdf	
https://education.gov.scot/inspection-and-review/inspection-frameworks/quality-	
improvement-framework-for-the-early-learning-and-childcare-sectors/	
There is clear focus throughout the plan on measures to reduce of inequalities of	Yes
outcome as a result of socio-economic disadvantage.	
PEF: https://www.gov.scot/publications/pupil-equity-funding-national-operational-	
guidance-2023/documents/	
CEF: https://www.gov.scot/publications/care-experienced-children-young-people-	
fund-operational-guidance-2023-24/documents/	
SEF: https://www.gov.scot/publications/strategic-equity-funding-national-	
operational-guidance-2023/documents/	
Appropriate cognisance has been made of the links between the plan and the	Yes
working time agreement for teaching staff.	
An accessible summary of the SIP is available and contained in this document and	Yes
will be provided to parents, children and young people.	

# Pupil and parental strategic involvement

For session 2025-26, please describe below how children and young people will be involved in decisions relating to the operation of the school/centre	For session 2025-26, please describe below how parents will be involved in decisions relating to the operation of the school/centre
We intend to involve child in decisions relating to the operation of the establishment through-  Suggestion Box Whole school assemblies House Captains and Vice Captains Pupil Leadership Groups Pupil Council Questionnaires and Surveys GMWP In class/ centre consultations Observations of children's play Pupil Focus Groups and self-evaluation using – HGIOURS4	We intend to involve parents and carers in decisions relating to the operation of the establishment through-  • Parent Council Engagement • Questionnaires and Surveys • Self-evaluation activities • Parent/Carer workshops • Stay and Play/ PEEP sessions • Parents' night consultations • Open Afternoons

# Community Plan East Ayrshire 2015 - 2030



#### Together, in achieving our Vision, Partners will demonstrate:

#### **Effective leadership**

We will provide clear leadership in Community Planning and engage effectively with our employees and communities **Collective ownership** 

We will take collective ownership for delivering on the Community Plan, the associated Single Outcome Agreement and the Community Plan Delivery Plans, and work hard to improve outcomes for local people and communities **Good governance** 

We will implement clear operating arrangements to support effective strategic direction, scrutiny and accountability **Democratic accountability** 

We will measure and report on the impact of our activities to demonstrate how effectively we are improving outcomes for local people and communities, and all partners will be held to account for their contribution.

Our Partnership will continue to work to meet the needs of the people who live in our communities. Our guiding principles will be reflected in all that we do and should be evident for all to see.

Our Vision

"East Ayrshire is a place with strong, safe and vibrant communities where everyone has a good quality of life and access to opportunities, choices and high quality services which are sustainable, accessible and meet people's needs."

#### We will:

- Promote lifelong learning.
- Promote equality and tackle inequality;
- Adopt a preventative approach;
- Ensure effective community engagement in the planning and delivery of local services;
- Utilise the strengths and resilience within communities;
- Drive efficiency and performance improvement;

## **National and Local Priorities**

# The Scottish Government's vision for education in Scotland:

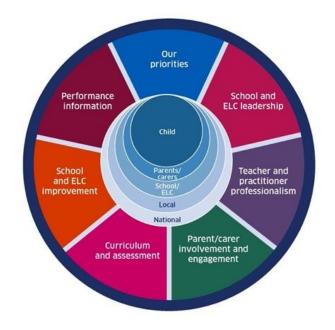
- Excellence through raising attainment and improving outcomes
- Achieving equity

# **Key priorities of the National Improvement Framework:**

- Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of education
- Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing
- Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged children and young people
- Improvement in skills and sustained, positive school-leaver destinations for all young people
- Improvement in attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy

# NIF drivers of improvement in the outcomes achieved by children and young people are:

- 1. School and ELC leadership
- 2. Teacher and practitioner professionalism
- 3. Parent/carer involvement and engagement
- 4. Curriculum and assessment
- 5. School and ELC improvement
- 6. Performance information



### Scottish Attainment Challenge (SAC)

Scottish Attainment Challenge: framework for recovery and accelerating progress

Scottish Attainment Challenge Logic Model –

Tackling the Poverty-Related Attainment Gap – Our Theory of Change

#### **SAC** organisers:

- · Learning and teaching
- Leadership
- Families and communities

	East Ayrshire Plans		
Key Priorities	Education Service Improvement Plan:	Children's Services Plan:	Community Learning and Development Plan:
1: Our Leadership	We actively support, promote and enact leadership at all levels. Our young people are supported to be leaders on their learning in our centres, schools and wider life experiences. All staff have ready access to appropriate CLPL and experiences to promote leadership in every classroom and centre.	Priorities for 2023-26:  1. Our children and young people feel respected, listened to and influence	Outcomes:     Growth     Wellbeing     Fairness
2: Teaching and Learning Together	Our young people should experience a teaching, learning and curriculum offer that meets their needs, and those of our local and national context. All staff should be supported to deliver in new and innovative ways by accessing CLPL relevant to their needs and those of our young people.	change  2. We are working collaboratively, reducing the impact of social and economic poverty on our	<ul><li>Sustainability</li><li>Action areas</li><li>1. Youth voice and participation</li></ul>
3: Our Wellbeing and Belonging	We want all of our young people to feel supported by people who know them well, and feel included in all of our schools and centres. Our staff need to be supported in their working with our young people, especially in times of adversity. As a key universal service, it is our vision that all young people attend our establishments on a full-time and regular basis to support them in their development at all stages.	children and young people 3. Our children and young people feel safe 4. Our children and young people have the best start in life 5. Our children and young	<ol> <li>2. Lifelong learning and skills development</li> <li>3. Empowering communities</li> <li>4. Wellbeing and inclusion</li> </ol>
4: Our Attainment, Destinations and Achievements	We want the very best for all of our young people in East Ayrshire. We aim to ensure all young people secure a positive destination through excellent achievement and attainment at all levels.	people's mental health is improving	

#### Our Leadership: Improvement priority: What is going to be the focus of this priority?

**Teacher & practitioner** 

professionalism

NIF key drivers:

Staff critically reflect and undertake appropriate professional learning and quality assurance activities that will empower them to lead improvements across the curriculum resulting in enhanced learning experiences and improved attainment for children. The voices of children, parents and community help to shape our developments and lead to more opportunities for children.

**Rationale –** This improvement priority builds on a recognised strength within our setting: the effectiveness of leadership across the school. Our recent learning visit affirmed that strong and distributed leadership is contributing significantly to school improvement and enhanced learning experiences. To maintain this positive trajectory, we now aim to embed these leadership practices more deeply and ensure they consistently lead to improved outcomes for all learners.

Our self-evaluation and contextual analysis highlight areas where further progress is needed. In particular, ensuring all staff are engaging in high-quality professional learning and improvement science methodologies will strengthen our ability to deliver consistent, evidence-informed improvements. There is also a clear need to develop more robust quality assurance systems and ensure greater alignment between leadership development and impact on children's attainment and equity.

Performance information

Parent/carer involvement &

engagement

HGIOS4 QIs:	1.3		1.2	1.1		2.7		2.3	3.2
QF ELC:	Selec	elect QI Select QI			QI	Selec	t QI	Select QI	Select QI
ESIP key priorities:	Y T	eaching & Lea	arning	Υ	Oı	ur Wellbei	ng	Y Our attai	nment
Outcomes for Our Learners		Our Actions	s/ Approaches/ Interv	entions	PEF	Who	Measure	s/ Outcomes	Review/ Milestones
What do we want to improve/ change?: Ensure enhancement of learning experiences a improved attainment the practitioner reflection are enquiry.  Target group: All class  By how much/by when the least 85% of pupils report that their learning engaging and supports progress, by June 202	and nrough and ses en: will ag is s their	learnir activiti develo practit scienc based Focus inclusi differe Ensure quality suppo experi and yo	nue to develop our profesting framework and colleging framework and colleging es to support leadership opment, collaborative endioner enquiry (improvement emethodologies), evider practice and pedagogies ing on pedagogical development eaching strategies, antiation.  The all staff have access to professional learning the ences and outcomes for oung people and meet the ements for registration.	ate quiry, ent nce- s. lopment, nd high at mprove children		All staff	enquiries  - All staff ha improvement methodolo - At least 75 undertaker - Staff have pertinent to development and FACE - Staff report through single en improved a improvement a i	staff reports from , quality assurance.  Inve been trained in tent science or sies.  Inve been trained in tent science or sies.  Inve been trained in tent science or sies.  In a practitioner enquiry.  In a practitioner enquiry.	<ul> <li>Termly CLPL reviews.</li> <li>Mid-year and end-of-year reporting on practitioner enquiries.</li> <li>Staff surveys in Terms 2 and 3.</li> <li>PRD-linked reflections by May 2026.</li> </ul>

**School & ELC improvement** 

What do we want to	Collaborative working (ESIP: 1.3)	HT	0	Qualitative data- pictures,	>	Partnership audit
improve/ change?:	<ul> <li>Begin a joint project between school and</li> </ul>	All staff		surveys/ questionnaires,		by December
Increased opportunities for	community using the 'Kilmarnock Town			record of visitors, learner		2025.
children to learn in/ from their	Trail' model to support the development			experiences.	>	Mid-year review
community.	of a context based curriculum and		0	Quantitative data- EVOLVEs,		of pupil
1	tourism pack.			numbers of children engaging		engagement.
Target group:	<ul> <li>More involvement in our local</li> </ul>			in community events/	>	End-of-year
All children.	community, accessing for example, the			excursions.		summary of
	bowling club.		-	Existing partnerships grow and		community
By how much/by when:				strengthen.		involvement.
By June 2026, 90% of			-	New partnerships and therefore		
learners will report that their				opportunities for children are developed.		o Learning and
learning is engaging,			_	Children report benefits from new	Leachi	ing priority)
relevant, and connected to real-life contexts.			_	opportunities forged through		
Teal-life Contexts.				partnership working.		

#### **Teaching and Learning Together: Improvement priority:**

ALL children will report experiencing excellent lessons/ experiences and feel supported in their progress.

#### Rationale -

This improvement priority arises from analysis of learner voice, individual learner progress, classroom observations, and stakeholder feedback, which highlight inconsistencies in the quality of learning and teaching across the school. While examples of good practice exist, these are not yet embedded consistently in all lessons/ experiences/ classes or accessible to all learners. To ensure that all children experience excellent lessons and meaningful learning experiences, we must first establish a shared, whole-school understanding of what constitutes an excellent lesson/ experience. Although we have created our own version of the excellent lesson, further work is required to explore each element and make further refinements. Without a common framework or language for high-quality pedagogy, expectations and experiences will continue to vary.

Additionally, to meet the diverse needs of all learners, we must strengthen and embed inclusive practices that reflect the principles of equity, accessibility, and learner-centred planning. Current evidence suggests that some learners require us to upskill our inclusive practices in order for them to be able to engage meaningfully with their learning. Staff will benefit from targeted, high-quality CLPL (Career-Long Professional Learning) focused on pedagogical development, inclusive teaching strategies, and differentiation. This will enable consistent, evidence-informed approaches that improve outcomes for all children and close existing gaps.

NIF key drivers:	F key drivers: School & ELC leade		ership	Teacher & practitioner professionalism			Oner Curriculum & assessment				ELC improvement
HGIOS4 QIs:	2.3		1.2		3.2		2.4		2.2		2.7
QF ELC:	Selec	t QI	Select QI		Select	QI	Select	: QI	Select (	ગ્રા	Select QI
ESIP key priorities:	Υ	Our Leaders	hip		Υ	Oı	ur Wellbei	ng	Υ	Our attair	nment
Outcomes for O Learners	ur	Our Actions	s/ Approac	hes/ Interver	ntions	PEF	Who	Meas	ures/ Outcor	nes	Review/ Milestones
What do we want to improve/ change?:  - Improve the quality a consistency of learning experiences in terms of challenge and meeting learner needs.  - Increase use of effect questioning and feedbes support progress.  - Increase use of asset data to inform planning next steps ensuring profor all learners.  Target group: All pupils across all sta	tive ack to ssment and ogress	sessio deepe criteria tools fo Focus & T ar areas. Refine we exp	Exploring e ating a com to ensure hate targeted has (ESIP: 2.2) aning of practioning or learning. Our Quality A d self-evaluation our planning olicitly map o	ach element i mon understa	anding carning  LPL the ccess ck as und L lese ensure entions,	<b>√</b>	SLT/ Leader of Learning/ All staff	obser	sampling to shament evidence	ee. and ons (before cation). d planning now ce and task ent data. ent sharing s and	<ul> <li>Peer observations cycle launched by Dec 2025.</li> <li>CLPL review each term.</li> <li>Planning audits and pupil focus groups Terms 1-3.</li> <li>Review full implementation March 2026.</li> </ul>

attainment levels and next steps in order to make better progress through timely and effective feedback  - CLPL sessions result in measurable improvements in questioning, feedback, and learner engagement Classroom observations and quality assurance activities reflect improved consistency and higher expectations across all stages.  What do we want to  Embed consistent approach to assessing,  SLT/  Development of an  Assessment
improve/ change?: tracking & monitoring of children's progress All staff assessment calendar. calendar in pla
To see an improvement in across the establishment (ESIP: 2.5, 4.2)  o Online pupil profile evidence. by Oct 2025.
children's progress across

the curriculum due to more robust tracking.  Target group: All children, however P4-7 in particular.  By how much/by when: There will be a measurable reduction in the number of pupils "on the cusp" of achieving expected levels, as identified through improved data analysis by May 2026.	<ul> <li>Design and embed assessment calendar.</li> <li>Design a robust and consistent approach to tracking and monitoring children's progress by reconfiguring our pupil profiles to an online spreadsheet accessible by relevant staff to enable them to track progress efficiently and effectively.</li> <li>Teachers and practitioners to engage with and analyse data.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Teacher's evaluations of data in tracking and monitoring meetings and collegiate session- Fact, Story, Action.</li> <li>Cohort comparison data will show value being added across ACEL measures.</li> <li>We will see a decrease in the number of children on the cusp.</li> <li>We will have more robust evidence of children's attainment across the year.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Data tracking meetings termly.</li> <li>Review pupil progress analysis by May 2026.</li> </ul>
What do we want to improve/ change?: Children will experience a curriculum which is innovative, inspiring and reflective of their needs in our modern society.  Target group: All children across all stages, particularly those disengaged at present.  By how much/by when: By June 2026, 90% of learners will report that their learning is engaging, relevant, and connected to real-life contexts, as evidenced through pupil voice, planning audits, and learning observations.	Review and redesign our curriculum so that it reflects the needs of our learners and community and aligns with EAC Community Plan, Labour Market Intelligence, The Ayrshire Growth Deal and the Regional Economic Strategy.     Gather, collate and analyse views on our curriculum from stakeholders.     Develop our Curriculum Rationale in draft, consult stakeholders and finalise.	SLT/ All Staff	<ul> <li>Consultations/ surveys.</li> <li>A curriculum rationale document.</li> <li>The school has a clear, shared Curriculum Rationale that reflects learner needs, local context, and national priorities.</li> <li>Disengaged learners show increased participation and motivation, evidenced through pupil voice and teacher observation.</li> <li>Planning and classroom practice reflect real-world contexts, innovation, and learner choice.</li> <li>Stakeholder feedback confirms the curriculum is inclusive, aspirational, and responsive to community and economic needs.</li> <li>The curriculum supports the development of skills for learning, life, and work across all stages.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Stakeholder consultations by Nov 2025.</li> <li>Draft curriculum rationale by Jan 2026.</li> <li>Final version published June 2026.</li> </ul>
What do we want to improve/ change?:	Develop digital literacy skills (ESIP: 2.6)	Digital Leads/	<ul> <li>Creation of a digital learning pathway.</li> <li>Consultations with children.</li> </ul>	Digital pathway piloted by Jan 2026.

Children across the establishment are becoming increasingly digitally literate.	<ul> <li>Research and pilot a digital learning pathway within our curriculum to support the development of digital skills.</li> </ul>	CTs/ ELCPs	<ul><li>Evidence of work.</li><li>Learning Walks.</li><li>Observations/ Quality</li></ul>	<ul><li>Digital Schools Award. progression</li></ul>
Target group: All pupils across all stages.	<ul> <li>Continue to work towards achievement of the Digital Schools Award, ensuring all classrooms are becoming digital</li> </ul>		Assurance.  - Children will report increased digital literacy learning	review by June 2026.  QA of digital learning Terms 2
By how much/by when: By June 2026, at least 90% of learners across all stages will regularly use digital tools to support and enhance their learning and will demonstrate an improvement in digital skills.	learning rich environments.		<ul> <li>opportunities.</li> <li>Children will display improved digital literacy evidenced through in class evidence.</li> <li>We will have a growing bank of evidence to support our journey towards becoming a digital school.</li> </ul>	and 3.

#### Our Wellbeing and Belonging: Improvement priority:

All children will feel safe, respected and supported to thrive and achieve in school. They will experience a consistently inclusive, rights-respecting, and engaging learning environment that promotes wellbeing, participation, and equity.

#### Rationale -

Our self-evaluation and quality assurance processes have identified the need to more effectively embed the school's Vision, Values, and Aims (VVA) in everyday practice. Key areas for improvement include increasing attendance, strengthening inclusive practices, and building the capacity of staff and families to meet the diverse needs of all learners. Although we have made great progress in this area of the past academic year, further work in required to ensure that the improvements benefit all children.

There is a clear opportunity to enhance wellbeing provision across the school through consistent, evidence-based approaches and targeted professional learning. Ensuring that every child benefits from their full entitlement to high-quality physical education and broader wellbeing education is central to this work.

Parent/carer involvement &

Teacher & practitioner

NIF key drivers:	School	ol & ELC leade	ership	profession	•	onei		gement	IIIVOIVEIII	ent a	Curricu	ulum 8	assessment		
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ESIP key priorities:	Υ	Our Leaders	hip	١	Y Tea	ching &	<b>Learning</b>			Y C	ur attair	nment			
Outcomes for Our Learners		Our Actions	s/ Approacl	hes/ Intervent	tions	PEF	Who		Mea	asures		Revi	iew/ Milestones		
What do we want to improve/ change?: All children experience inclusive learning experiences and supprelationships.  Target group: All children across all By how much/by who 90% of all learners repfeeling safe, respected supported and include May 2026.	stages.  en: cort d,	relationships     Partne     Psycho     Provide     informa     GMWF     to focu     Opport     and ide     Begin  Children's rig promoted by a     Contin	framework (rship working ology to iden e CLPL opposition gathered in Sept 202 is on at school tunities to sheas.  drafting relation to the sare known all (ESIP: 1.4 are known all school VVA	g with Education tify training nee ortunities based ed. 25 will highlight a ol and class levare good practicionships framewon, respected,	nal ds. on areas rel. ce work. and	✓	HT/ DHT- ASN coordinator/ All staff	0 0 0 0 -	GMWP in Wellbeing pupils. Class disp Focus gro Quality As 90% of leafeeling sa supported Inclusive, are embediacross all A whole-s	oups and surve	y. ntified  eys.  ort  d. ctices ntly ettings. ships	A A	GMWP surveys Sept 2025 and May 2026. Class audits of Sea of Emotions and resilience delivery by March 2026. CLPL opportunities planned for by Sept 2025.		

	The Promise (ESIP: 3.3)  Increase staff knowledge and understanding of The Promise through CLPL.  Improve resilience and emotional regulation  Ensure a consistent 'Sea of Emotions' image and coping strategies is implemented across the school, building upon work undertaken last year.  Devise whole school resilience programme and all classes deliver weekly lessons.  Continue to explore emotions and issues as they arise through assemblies.  Embed V, V, A across the school.		implemented, and informs daily interactions.  - Staff engage in targeted CLPL informed by needs analysis and Educational Psychology input.  - Children's rights are known, promoted, and reflected in class charters and school routines as part of the school's RRSA Silver journey.  - A consistent use of the 'Sea of Emotions' and associated coping strategies is evident across all classes.  - All learners participate in a weekly resilience programme, enhancing emotional regulation and wellbeing.  - Wellbeing themes and emotional literacy are regularly addressed through assemblies and responsive class activities.  - Staff knowledge of The Promise is strengthened through ongoing professional learning.  - The school's Vision, Values, and Aims (VVA) are consistently reflected in relationships, language, and decisions across the school community.	
What do we want to improve/ change?: All pupils receive and benefit from their entitlement to 2 hours of weekly high-quality PE. Target group: P4-7. By how much/by when:	<ul> <li>High quality PE Provision</li> <li>Identify lead person for HWB: PEPAS.</li> <li>Revise and implement whole-school PE timetable, progression and approach.</li> <li>Embed PLTA Guidance &amp; HWB Progression Frameworks (ESIP: 3.5).</li> <li>Research and trial meta-skills within PE.</li> </ul>	PE Lead/ CTs	<ul> <li>Timetable audits.</li> <li>Quality Assurance.</li> <li>Pupil HWB surveys, GMWP.</li> <li>Teacher planning and reflections.</li> <li>All pupils consistently receive their 2-hour weekly PE entitlement.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PE timetable in place by Sept 2025.</li> <li>CLPL reviewed Term 2.</li> <li>Survey review Terms 1 and 3.</li> <li>Final evaluation June 2026.</li> </ul>

90% of pupils report an increase in their confidence and abilities in physical activity, physical skills and healthy choices.	Provide PE-focused CLPL opportunities for staff, e.g. team-teaching with lead/ specialists.		<ul> <li>A clear, progressive PE timetable and curriculum is embedded across the school.</li> <li>Staff deliver high-quality PE lessons with increased confidence, supported by CLPL and team-teaching.</li> <li>Meta-skills (e.g. teamwork, resilience) are purposefully developed through PE.</li> <li>EAC HWB progression frameworks and PLTA guidance are fully implemented school-wide.</li> </ul>	
What do we want to improve/ change?: Maximise attendance to improve attainment. Target group: Children with attendance lower than 92%. Children with persistent unauthorized absences. By how much/by when: Improve overall attendance from 91% to 95% by June 2026. Reduce persistent unauthorised absence (below 90%) from current levels to under 5% of school roll.	<ul> <li>Approaches to maximise attendance (ESIP: 3.6)</li> <li>Monitor and analyse attendance using SEEMiS and attendance tracker.</li> <li>Early intervention phone calls at &lt;92%.</li> <li>Develop Attendance Support Plans for pupils &lt;90% with persistent unauthorized absences.</li> <li>Engage families via workshops and flexible support options.</li> <li>Improve engagement through improvement actions (pedagogy; curriculum) in 'Teaching and Learning Together' (priority 2).</li> </ul>	SLT	<ul> <li>SEEMiS data.</li> <li>Persistent absence rate.</li> <li>Attendance tracker: Log interventions, support plans, and actions.</li> <li>Support plans: Monitor impact for pupils below 90%.</li> <li>Family engagement: Track contact, support uptake, and workshop attendance.</li> <li>Pupil/parent voice: Gather feedback on barriers and support.</li> <li>Impact on learning: Link attendance improvements to engagement and attainment.</li> <li>Pupils at risk of low attendance are identified early and supported through tailored Attendance Support Plans.</li> <li>Family engagement improves through proactive communication and flexible support.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SEEMiS data reviewed monthly.</li> <li>Attendance Support Plans evaluated termly.</li> <li>Family engagement logs reviewed Dec and April.</li> </ul>

	- Improved attendance leads to better pupil engagement, wellbeing, and attainment, supported by high-quality teaching and a relevant, motivating curriculum.
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#### **Our Attainment, Destinations and Achievements: Improvement priority:**

Attainment in writing, particularly across first level, and numeracy, particularly across second level, will improve through improvement in the quality of learning and teaching experiences; consistent assessment approaches; and pupil engagement. All learners will understand their progress, next steps and achievements and how these are important in the world of work.

#### Rationale -

This priority targets raising attainment in writing at First Level and numeracy at Second Level, based on 2024–25 attainment data and self-evaluation highlighting inconsistency in learning, teaching, assessment, and pupil engagement.

Key Data Insights

- Writing (First Level):
  - o P3: 63%, P4: 69%, P5: 76%
    - → Indicates gaps in progression and inconsistent pedagogy.
- Numeracy (Second Level):
  - o P5: 71%, P6: 77%, P7: 88%
    - → Attainment dips in P5–P6 suggest a need to strengthen foundations.

Identified Barriers through quality assurance and self-evaluation

- Inconsistent teaching and assessment approaches
- · Limited learner understanding of progress and next steps
- More robust tracking for targeted support

This rationale supports a strategic, data-informed approach to delivering consistent, high-quality learning in writing and numeracy, underpinned by robust assessment, learner engagement, and effective tracking.

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NIF key drivers:	Scho	ol & ELC lead	ership	profession	•	loner	Curri	culum & assessı	Performand	rmance information				
HGIOS4 QIs:	3.2		2.3		1.2		2.4		3.3	1.	.5			
QF ELC:	Selec	t QI	Select QI		Select	QI	Selec	t QI	Select QI	S	elect QI			
ESIP key priorities:	N	Our Leaders	hip	Y Teac	hing & L	earning.	N	Our Wellbei	ng					
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Numeracy: 2019-2021 Cohorts.  **By how much/by when:* 80% of children achieving first level by end of p4 in writing. Numeracy: Cohorts 2019-2021 seeing ≥ 5% increase by June 2026.	<ul> <li>Focus on high- quality pedagogy and lesson expectations (link to Priority 2).</li> <li>Moderation at school and education group level.</li> <li>Ensure tracking and monitoring procedures are robust (ESIP: 4.2) (link to priority 2).</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Equity: PEF impact tracking; attendance and engagement data.</li> <li>Learning and teaching are consistent and high-quality across all stages, with clear progression.</li> <li>Staff use shared expectations, robust tracking, and regular moderation to drive improvement.</li> <li>Learners show greater confidence and success in writing and numeracy, helping to close the poverty-related attainment gap.</li> </ul>	
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### Summary of Improvement Plan directly linking to Education Service Improvement Plan

Our Leadership	Teaching and Learning Together
Our priority:	Our priority:
Staff critically reflect and undertake appropriate professional learning and quality assurance activities that will empower them to lead improvements across the curriculum resulting in enhanced learning experiences and improved attainment for children. The voices of children, parents and community help to shape our developments and lead to more opportunities for children.	ALL children will report experiencing excellent lessons/ experiences and feel supported in their progress.
What this means for our children:	What this means for our children:
Staff learn new skills and work together to make teaching and learning better. This helps children to even better in their learning. We listen to children, parents, and the community to help us make changes and give children more chances to learn and grow.	All children will say they enjoy their learning, understand what they are learning, and feel well supported to get better and make progress.
Our Wellbeing and Belonging	Our Attainment, Destinations and Achievements
Our priority:	Our priority:
All children will feel safe, respected and supported to thrive and achieve in school. They will experience a consistently inclusive, rights-respecting, and engaging learning environment that promotes wellbeing, participation, and equity.	Attainment in writing, particularly across first level, and numeracy, particularly across second level, will improve through improvement in the quality of learning and teaching experiences; consistent assessment approaches; and pupil engagement. All learners will understand their progress, next steps and achievements and how these are important in the world of work.
What this means for our children:	What this means for our children:
All children will feel safe, respected, and cared for at school. They will learn in a fair and welcoming place where everyone is included, their rights are valued, and they get the help they need to do their best.	Children will get better at writing and numeracy by having high-quality teaching, fair and consistent assessment, and learning that keeps them interested. They will understand how well they are doing, what they need to learn next, and why their learning matters for their future.