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**Dear Parents/Carers** 

## **Care Inspectorate inspection**

Bell's Brae Nursery was recently visited by the Care Inspectorate on 16/17<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The purpose of the inspection was to evaluate the quality of care and education we provide for the children and to ensure that we continue to meet national standards.

We are delighted that the inspection went well. Their feedback highlighted the dedication of the staff team in supporting all children in our care.

## Key messages

- · Children were cared for by kind, gentle and caring staff.
- Staff knew the children well and were skilled in supporting their care needs.
- · Children had fun and were engaged in their play.
- The indoor environment was inviting and spacious with exciting resources for the children to explore. This should be developed further outdoors.
- Self-evaluation and quality assurance processes were effective to ensure high-quality care and learning opportunities.
- Staff worked well together and were enthusiastic and motivated in their professional development.

## From this inspection we evaluated this service as:

In evaluating quality, we use a six point scale where 1 is unsatisfactory and 6 is excellent

How good is our care, play and learning?	5 - Very Good
How good is our setting?	4 - Good
How good is our leadership?	5 - Very Good
How good is our staff team?	5 - Very Good

The full inspection report is available for you to read using the following link

https://www.careinspectorate.com/berengCareservices/html/reports/getPdfBlob.php?id=325027

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and trust. Your feedback and partnership play a vital role in helping us maintain and improve the service we provide.

Regards

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