

DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 13/12/2004

Inspector Name Margaret, Ann Sandfield

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Sessional Day Care

Setting Name Sundridge Pre-School

Setting Address Sundridge Primary School

Church Road, Sundridge

Sevenoaks

Kent

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REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name The Committee of Sundridge Pre-School

ORGANISATION DETAILS

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ABOUT THE INSPECTION

The purpose of this inspection is to assure government, parents and the public of the quality and standard of day care. When making judgements, inspectors have regard to how well the provider meets the National Standards for under Eights Day Care and Childminding. A list of these is attached. The report identifies strengths and areas for improvement.

This inspection report must be made available to all parents.

Information about the setting

Sundridge Pre-School is a committee run pre-school. It opened in 1981 and operates from a classroom in the grounds of Sundridge and Brasted Primary School.

It is situated in the village of Sundridge. The pre-school serves the local area.

A maximum of 12 children may attend the pre-school at any one time. The pre-school is open each weekday from 09:00 to 11:45 term time only. All children share access to a secure enclosed outdoor play space.

There are currently 12 children from 2 to 5 years on roll. Of these 5 children are funded for nursery education. Children come from the local catchment area.

The pre-school employs three staff. The manager holds appropriate early years qualifications. One member of staff is currently working towards a qualification and has just submitted her final assignment.

How good is the Day Care?

The pre-school provides a satisfactory standard of care. Children are confident, independent, happy and relate well to staff and each other.

Staff plan and provide the necessary facilities and range of activities and play opportunities, which develop children's emotional, physical and intellectual capabilities well. The premises are safe, secure, suitable for their purpose and are welcoming to children. They have good access to a range of toys, resources and equipment that are of a suitable design and condition, well maintained and conform to safety standards.

Staff take positive steps to promote children's safety within the setting and ensure proper precautions are taken to prevent accidents. They demonstrate a very good understanding of how to promote the health of children.

Parents demonstrate that they are happy with the standard of care their children are receiving, There is clear information about how staff plan and provide care and educational experiences for their children. Parents and staff share relevant information to enable children to have their needs met in accordance with parents wishes.

What has improved since the last inspection?

n/a

What is being done well?

- Suitable arrangements are in place to protect children from persons not vetted. Staff are deployed effectively and are vigilant about children's safety at all times. There are good systems in place for the safe arrival and departure of children. Fire safety notices are clearly displayed.
- The premises and outdoor play area are safe, secure, clean, warm, welcoming and suitable for their purpose.
- Staff provide a range of child size furniture, equipment and toys that are appropriate for their purpose and helps to create an accessible, safe and stimulating environment for children, which promotes their learning in all areas.
- There are systems in place for the regular exchange of information between parents/carers and staff members. Staff work in partnership with parents to meet the needs of the children, both individually and as a group. Parents are happy with the service their children are receiving.

What needs to be improved?

- the availability of inspection reports for parent's information
- the availability of the policies and procedures for examination at the Ofsted inspection.

PREVIOUS COMPLAINTS (This section applies only to inspections carried out from September 2004. The complaint record relates to complaints from the last inspection or 1st April 2004 whichever is later.)

Since 01/04/2004 there have been no complaints received by Ofsted.

Outcome of the inspection

Satisfactory

CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION

All registered persons must comply with all conditions of registration included on his/her certificate of registration.

As a result of this inspection conditions of registration have been imposed / varied / removed and a new certificate of registration will be issued.

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE NEXT?

The Registered Person should have regard to the following recommendations by the time of the next inspection	
Std	Recommendation
12	Provide parent's with access to the inspection reports.
14	Ensure all policies and procedures are available for examination at Ofsted inspections.

SUMMARY OF NATIONAL STANDARDS

STANDARD 1 - SUITABLE PERSON

Adults providing day care, looking after children or having unsupervised access to them are suitable to do so.

STANDARD 2 - ORGANISATION

The registered person meets required adult: child ratios, ensures that training and qualifications requirements are met and organises space and resources to meet the children's needs effectively.

STANDARD 3 - CARE, LEARNING AND PLAY

The registered person meets children's individual needs and promotes their welfare. They plan and provide activities and play opportunities to develop children's emotional, physical, social and intellectual capabilities.

STANDARD 4 - PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

The premises are safe, secure and suitable for their purpose. They provide adequate space in an appropriate location, are welcoming to children and offer access to the necessary facilities for a range of activities which promote their development.

STANDARD 5 - EQUIPMENT

Furniture, equipment and toys are provided which are appropriate for their purpose and help to create an accessible and stimulating environment. They are of suitable design and condition, well maintained and conform to safety standards.

STANDARD 6 - SAFETY

The registered person takes positive steps to promote safety within the setting and on outings and ensures proper precautions are taken to prevent accidents.

STANDARD 7 - HEALTH

The registered person promotes the good health of children and takes positive steps to prevent the spread of infection and appropriate measures when they are ill.

STANDARD 8 - FOOD AND DRINK

Children are provided with regular drinks and food in adequate quantities for their needs. Food and drink is properly prepared, nutritious and complies with dietary and religious requirements.

STANDARD 9 - EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

The registered person and staff actively promote equality of opportunity and anti-discriminatory practice for all children.

STANDARD 10 - SPECIAL NEEDS (INCLUDING SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES)

The registered person is aware that some children may have special needs and is

proactive in ensuring that appropriate action can be taken when such a child is identified or admitted to the provision. Steps are taken to promote the welfare and development of the child within the setting in partnership with the parents and other relevant parties.

STANDARD 11 - BEHAVIOUR

Adults caring for children in the provision are able to manage a wide range of children's behaviour in a way which promotes their welfare and development.

STANDARD 12 - WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS AND CARERS

The registered person and staff work in partnership with parents and to meet the needs of the children, both individually and as a group. Information is shared.

STANDARD 13 - CHILD PROTECTION

The registered person complies with local child protection procedures approved by the Area Child Protection Committee and ensures that all adults working and looking after children in the provision are able to put the procedures into practice.

STANDARD 14 - DOCUMENTATION

Records, policies and procedures which are required for the efficient and safe management of the provision, or to promote the welfare, care and learning of children are maintained. Records about individual children are shared with the child's parent.