

## DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

#### **URN** EY269591

#### **INSPECTION DETAILS**

Inspection Date 27/01/2005

Inspector Name Janice Broddle

## **SETTING DETAILS**

Day Care Type Full Day Care

Setting Name Kings Farm Day Nursery & Kids Club

Setting Address Winter's Lane

Long Bennington

Newark

Nottinghamshire NG23 5DW

#### **REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS**

Name Kings Farm Day Nursery Limited 4717830

#### **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

Kings Farm Day Nursery & Kids Club has been registered since 2003 and is a privately run provision. It operates from a three storey converted farmhouse situated in the rural village of Long Bennington. The baby room, for babies up to 18 months, and nursery room, for children 18 months to 3 years, are situated on the ground floor. The pre-school rooms are on the first floor and consist of 2 rooms, one of which is mainly used for creative activities and for eating. The Kids Club have the use of the attic play room on the second floor. There is also an office, kitchen, and laundry room. Toilet areas are on the ground and first floor. There is an enclosed outside play area attached to the building. There is a car park for staff and parents.

A maximum of 56 children may attend the facility at any one time. There are currently 68 nursery children on roll, and 56 Kids Club children. Of the nursery children, 26 of these receive funding for nursery education.

The setting is open each week day from 08:00 to 18:00. It is open all year round, closing only for Bank Holidays. Christmas closures are organised in consultation with parents. The facility is currently supporting children who have special needs. All children attending speak English as their first language.

The facility employs 12 members of staff, of these, 6 hold appropriate early years qualifications and 5 are working towards this.

#### **How good is the Day Care?**

Kings Farm Day Nursery & Kids Club provides good care for children. Staff are committed to their professional development and keep abreast of child care issues by attending regular training. A comprehensive range of policies, regular staff meetings and in-house training sessions ensure that they have a consistent approach to their work although systems to record any incident of physical restraint are not in place. There is a good range of toys and play equipment to promote learning in all areas, particularly the outdoor physical play.

High priority is given to ensuring children's safety both indoors and outside and staff consistently apply procedures outlined in safety polices. Staff have a satisfactory knowledge of child protection. Children's health is promoted through the implementation of good hygiene practises and the provision of freshly cooked meals, prepared on site.

Staff provide a range of stimulating activities and play resources, including those which reflect diversity, which engage the children's interest and promote their all round development. Children are grouped effectively according to their ages and stages of development and they form effective relationships with their key staff. Children are encouraged to make independent choices and are confident and motivated. Standards of behaviour are very good due to the high expectations of staff and the strategies used to manage their behaviour.

There is good partnership with parents. The nursery provides a range of written information about the provision including policies, procedures and the curriculum. Effective systems are in place to ensure relevant information is exchanged.

## What has improved since the last inspection?

At the last inspection, the provider agreed to further develop the child protection policy to include procedures to be followed in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff, this is now in place ensuring compliance with national and local procedures. She also agreed to develop planning of babies activities and improve the system for sharing information with parents in the baby room. New planning systems have been introduced and staff in the baby room plan activities using aspects of the high scope philosophy, thus providing a range of experiences for babies. Information regarding babies routines are displayed for parents to view when they collect their children, thus ensuring that relevant information is passed on.

## What is being done well?

- The staff team work well together. They are clear of their roles and responsibilities and undertake these with confidence and competence, thus ensuring the smooth running of the setting.
- Standards of behaviour are very good. Children respond well to the high expectations of staff who use age appropriate strategies to encourage good behaviour.
- Staff provide a stimulating range of activities to meet the needs of all children attending. Space and resources are used effectively to promote children development in all areas and their achievements and efforts are recognised and valued.
- Staff know the children well and relevant information is recorded on day care forms to ensure that their individual needs are met. Children have formed effective relationships with staff and with each other and happily and confidently engage in their activities.
- There is a range of comprehensive policies in place which ensure children's safety both indoors and outside of the building.

#### What needs to be improved?

• systems to record any incident of physical intervention and ensure that these

are shared with parents.

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.)

There are no complaints to report.

## **Outcome of the inspection**

Good

#### **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
	Devise and implement a system to record any incident of physical restraint and ensure parents are informed of the incident on the day.

#### **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.