

DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 29/09/2003
Inspector Name Carol Box

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Out of School Day Care

Setting Name Warwick Community Campus and Adventure Playground

Setting Address 93 Sycamore Avenue

Knottingley West Yorkshire WF11 0PJ

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

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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

Warwick Community Campus and Adventure Playground has provided Open Access Play for 30 years. The Out of School Clubs opened in 2001 and the open access play scheme operates alongside them. The play scheme and the out of school clubs operate from two rooms situated in a large community centre surrounded by an adventure playground in Knottingley.

The campus normally offers a service for children aged from four to under eight years for which it is registered. Children aged eight years and over attend also.

Children attend for a variety of sessions. The open access scheme supports a number of children with special needs and there are currently no children attending who speak English as an additional language. The out of school clubs currently have no children attending with special needs or who speak English as an additional language.

The open access scheme opens six days a week all year round. Term time sessions are from 15:30 to 18:30 Monday to Friday and from 12:00 to 16:00 Saturdays.

The out of school clubs open five days a week during school term time. Sessions are from 07:30 to 09:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00.

Holiday play schemes run 5 days a week out of term time. Sessions are from 11:00 until 15:00 and 16:00 to 18:30 Monday to Friday.

Three full time and one part time member of staff work with the children attending the open access scheme. Three full time and three part time staff work with the children attending the out of school and holiday clubs. Over half the staff have early years qualifications to NVQ level 2 or 3.

How good is the Day Care?

Warwick Community Campus and Adventure Playground provides satisfactory care for children. Children enjoy activities such as pool, board games and arts and crafts although the range is limited. Children access most toys and equipment with ease promoting independence and choice. The adventure playground is utilised well by the children and children have space to move around freely and explore the interesting structures and areas. satisfactory health and safety measures are in place, but some aspects need to be addressed. After school club staff organise

snack time well. Children enjoy a choice of food and drink and social interaction with peers is good.

Warwick staff spend time interacting with the children but also encourage children to initiate their own play. Competitive games are initiated by children. Children confidently and positively approach each other and staff. The staff manage incidents of unwanted behaviour appropriately. Children understand the importance of rules these are reinforced through discussion with staff, their peers and through the daily routine. Equal opportunities is promoted adequately through discussion and projects but resources are limited.

Warwick staff implement the policies and procedures which are required for the safe management of the campus well. Most are in place and although they are not all shared with parents. All persons working on the campus have previous police clearances, but Ofsted has not been informed of staff changes and appropriate clearance forms have not been submitted.

satisfactory health and safety measures are in place. However some aspects of safety need to be addressed.

Warwick staff have developed positive relationships with both parents and children, they are not informed of the policies and procedures. However Parents comment that they are happy with the service provided.

What has improved since the last inspection?

'not applicable'

What is being done well?

- Staff relationships with the children are good and staff attend to the children's needs with care. Children are very friendly and feel safe and secure. Children approach staff with ease and confidence
- The organsiation of snack times in the after school club. Children enjoy this social time and are involved in choosing their snacks, preparing food and serving it. Food and drink is provided in adequate quantities for the children's needs
- Management of children's behaviour, it is consistent and managed well by staff from both the after school club and the open access scheme. Incidents are managed sensitively and appropriately. Children are treated with respect and are taught right from wrong through the daily routine
- Policies and procedures that underpin the day to day running of the facility are implemented well by the staff
- Children are provided with a good range of art and craft activities and are involved in interesting projects

What needs to be improved?

- the resources to promote equal opportunities;
- staff clearance procedures and the way in which Ofsted is informed of staff changes
- the play resources and access to them;
- the documentation regarding medication;
- the arrangements to inform parents of all policies and procedures and parental access to them;
- measures to prevent children's access to hazardous materials in the playground;
- risks to the safety and security of the children using the after school club during open access session.

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 must take the following actions by the date shown			
Std	Action	Date	
1	Ensure Ofsted is informed of staff changes and DC2 clearance forms are completed by relevent staff.	29/09/2003	
	keep a written record, signed by parents, of medication given to children	29/09/2003	

The Registered Person should have regard to the following recommendations by the time of the next inspection		
Std	Recommendation	
5	Ensure resources are increased and that children have easy access to a wide range of toys to promote learning in all areas	
6	risk assess the safety and security of the children using the after school	

	club during open access sessions; risk assess children's safety regarding access to wooden palettes, plastic sheeting and metal structure in the adventure playground
9	ensure that children have an appropriate range of activities and resources that promote equality of opportunity and anti-discriminatory practice
12	ensure parents are informed of policies and procedures and that procedures are shared with parents before admission to day care.

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.