

DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 28/01/2004

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Creche Day Care

Setting Name Sunnyside

Setting Address 192 Merton Road

South Wimbledon

London SW19 1EG

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Mrs Pearl Alphonse

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

The Sunnyside Nursery has been registered since 1970. It is situated in a Territorial Army building and its premises consist of a lobby and large hall with kitchen and toilet facilities. It is located on the main road, close to South Wimbledon tube station. There is no outside play area but the nursery has space for indoor physical activities and undertakes regular outings in small groups to the local park and shops. The nursery serves the local community.

There are currently sixteen children aged from two and a half years to under five years on roll. This includes one funded three year old. Children attend for a variety of sessions. The setting currently supports three children who speak English as an additional language. There are no children with special needs at present on role.

The registration is to be varied to twenty six children aged from two years to under five years. The nursery opens five days a week for forty eight weeks a year. Sessions are from 9am to 1pm.

One full time member of staff, the manager, and five part time members of staff work with the children. Five members of staff are qualified, SRN, NNEB, NVQ Level 2 and 3 and PPA Foundation, two of these are undertaking further training. One member of staff is unqualified.

The setting receives support from the Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership and the Merton Pre-School Learning Alliance and takes up opportunities for training workshops.

How good is the Day Care?

Sunnyside Nursery provides satisfactory care for children. The nursery offers a warm and friendly environment for children and their parents and carers. Space and resources are to be re-organised to meet the needs of younger children and nappy changing facilities introduced. Effective deployment of staff leads to positive and consistent care for the children. Organisation of materials and resources allow children to make choices and develop independence. Effective systems are in place to ensure the premises are safe and secure but risk assessment procedures need to be extended. Staff encourage good hygiene routines.

The nursery offers a range of suitable and age appropriate play activities that

support and stimulate children's social, physical, intellectual and emotional development. It has a satisfactory selection of equipment, furniture, resources, toys, books and puzzles that meet the needs of children. Staff interact positively with the children, build good relationships and respond to their interests and experiences. The children appear happy, involved and interested in the activities available. They relate well to one another and the adults present.

The nursery works in partnership with parents, respects their wishes and has good, well established relationships. More consistency needs to be maintained in record keeping and consent forms. Some policies and procedures need to be extended and implemented and made available to parents to promote professional good practice.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Eight actions were made at the last inspection, of which four have been met. Medication consent forms and medication recording have been implemented and members of staff have undertaken child protection and basic food hygiene training.

With regard to the remaining four actions, the child protection statement and the policy for sick children need to be extended further and work on risk assessment procedures and the provision of positive images of disability is ongoing.

What is being done well?

- Children have sufficient space to move around and play comfortably.
- There is a clear daily routine that allows children access to free play and planned activities. Pre-school and social skills encouraged.
- Emphasis is placed on opportunities for indoor physical play as no outdoor play area is available
- Boundaries of acceptable and non-acceptable behaviour and expectations are made clear to the children and their parents. Staff manage the children's behaviour in a caring and consistent manner using suitable and age appropriate strategies.
- The children behave well and respond to the staff's requests and guidance.
 Good behaviour is valued and encouraged using praise, rewards and positive language and reinforcements.
- Staff are friendly and approachable. There is a regular exchange of information and good communication with parents.

What needs to be improved?

- organisation, all staff to undertake Criminal Record Bureau checks, staff are to be included on the children's register
- health and safety, risk assessment procedures on the premises to be extended to identify actions to be taken to minimise identified risks, fire drills

- to be carried and recorded more accurately and efficiently, all electrical sockets to be covered in areas accessible to children
- documentation, procedures for lost or uncollected children to be extended, accident/incident/medication records to be signed by both staff and parents at all times, policy for sick children to be extended, the complaints procedure is to be amended and include Ofsted's details, the child protection statement and procedures need to be extended and confidential incident recording to be implemented

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
2	Ensure procedures for lost or uncollected children are extended
7	Ensure accident/incident/medication records are signed by both staff and parents at all times
12	Ensure the complaints procedure is amended and includes Ofsted details
13	Extend the child protection statement and procedures and implement confidential incident recording

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.