

DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 30/11/2004

Inspector Name Gulnaz Hassan

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care, Out of School Day Care

Setting Name Cape Play & Youth Project

Setting Address 85 Crouch Hill

London N8 9EG

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Islington Young People's Services

ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name Islington Young People's Services

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Banbury Complex Offord Road

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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

Cape Play and Youth Project opened in 2002. It operates from self contained premises in the London Borough of Islington. The after school club and the summer play scheme serve the local area.

There are currently 15 children from five to eight years on roll.

The group opens five days a week Tuesday to Saturday for 48 weeks in the year. Sessions are from 16:00 hours until 19:00 after school and 10:00 until 18:00 for the summer play scheme.

Four members of staff work with the children. Over half the staff have Play Work qualifications at NVQ level 3 and above. One member of staff is currently working towards a recognised Play Work qualification..

How good is the Day Care?

Cape Play Centre provides satisfactory care to children.

The staff have good experience of working with children and the majority of staff are qualified.

They offer a warm and friendly environment where children can feel secure. The physical environment allows opportunities for children to explore and learn. Children are able to gain access to a range of resources and activities and positive interaction takes place, which promotes children's welfare and development. Most aspects of record keeping are satisfactory with the omission of some procedures.

The group have a satisfactory awareness of safety issues with some weakness with regard to outings. Various health procedures are not available. The record keeping, play and learning materials reflect how the group value differences and diversity. The staff's knowledge and understanding of child protection and special needs is good.

The group plan daily activities well. They ensure children are involved in a wide range of interesting and exciting activities. The staff work with children to promote positive behaviour and to develop reasonable boundaries for managing children's behaviour.

Good information is available to parents about the provision.

What has improved since the last inspection?

N/A

What is being done well?

- The variety of resources available for both indoor and outdoor play is good. There is a broad selection of play materials available.
- Children enjoy taking part in the very good range of activities including sports, games, outings and interesting creative activities.
- Staff have a good knowledge and understanding of special needs and child protection issues ensuring the welfare and protection of children.

What needs to be improved?

- the policies and procedures for management of behaviour, accidents, sickness and complaints,
- the risk assessments and procedures for outings
- the permission from parents to seek emergency treatment
- the notification to Ofsted of relevant changes and matters with regard to staff changes

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.)

N/A

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	make sure that there are effective procedures to ensure that Ofsted are informed of relevant changes and matters (including changes to staff)	01/12/2004
12	make available to parents a written statement that provides details of the procedure to be followed if they have a complaint	30/12/2004

The Registered Person should have regard to the following recommendations by the time of the next inspection		
Std	Recommendation	
6	ensure that there are written procedures and risk assessments for outings	
7	devise and implement a policy about the exclusion of children who are ill or infectious and an accident procedure and make sure parents are made aware of them	
7	request written permission from parents for seeking emergency medical advice or treatment	
11	devise and implement policies and procedures for the management of behaviour	

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.