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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 06/08/2003
Inspector Name Catherine Langan

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Out of School Day Care
Setting Name Grover Out of School Club
Setting Address Ingram Avenue
Aylesbury
Buckinghamshire
HP21 9DJ

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Mrs Pamela Ann Lesley Brown

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 Grover Out of School Club has been open July 2000. It operates from Bedgrove infant school hall in Aylesbury.

There are currently 46 on the register. Children attend a variety of sessions.

The group opens five days a week and offers breakfast and after school facilities term-time and a play scheme that operates from 7.30 to 18.30 in the holidays.

Five staff work with the children. Four staff have early years qualifications. One staff member is currently completing a National Vocational Qualification in child care.

How good is the Day Care?

Grover out of school club provides satisfactory care for children. The premises are clean and well maintained. The premises are organised well to create sufficient space for free play, creative and physical activities and quiet times.

The provision offers a good range of fun and stimulating activities, these are adapted to meet the needs of all the children. Planning is flexible and staff take into consideration the interests and wishes of the children. The atmosphere of the group is relaxed, children are happy and confident and staff know the children well and respond to their individual needs.

Most health and safety procedures are in place, although some polices need developing. Daily risk assessments are carried out to ensure children are not exposed to hazards both indoors and out. Good personal hygiene and healthy eating is encouraged.

The group values the importance of parent partnership, information is shared daily and a notice board and newsletters are used to inform parents of other relevant information.

Most documentation is in place and well maintained.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Not applicable

What is being done well?

- A good range of fun and stimulating toys and resources are available. All children have access to a full range of activities and they are happy and well occupied.
- Interaction between staff and children is good, staff are involved and interested in their play. Children respond well to clear and consistent boundaries and they are confident within their surroundings.
- Good procedures are followed to ensure the safe arrival and collection of children.
- Health and safety issues are addressed, daily risk assessments are carried out, children are encouraged to maintain good personal hygiene practices and children are offered a varied, nutritious, cooked tea.
- Partnership with parents is valued, information is shared daily, in addition there is a parents notice board, information leaflet and regular newsletters are issued.

What needs to be improved?

- documentation, the arrangements to devise a sickness policy and make it available to parents
- documentation, the policy to ensure a record of all medication administered is kept
- documentation, the procedure to develop the current child protection policy to ensure that it accurately relates to the out of school club

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
7	devise and implement a policy about the exclusion of children who are ill or infectious and make sure parents are made aware of it.
12	make available to parents a written statement that provides details of the procedure to be followed if they have a complaint
13	ensure that the child protection procedure for the out of school club complies with local Area Child Protection Committee (ACPC) procedures
14	ensure a record of all medication administered is kept.

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.