



Office for Standards
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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 03/02/2005
Inspector Name Margaret Bryant

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care
Setting Name Teeny Tots
Setting Address Teeny Tots
163 County Road South
Hull
North Humberside
HU5 5LZ

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Teeny Tots Day Nursery Limited 4856726

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

Teeney Tots nursery is situated on County Road South which is to the West of the City of Hull, close to the village of Cottingham, in the East Riding of Yorkshire.

The nursery, formerly called Childsplay, has been open for 10 years, though recently taken over by the present proprietor and registered for use by her, in August 2004.

The nursery is registered to care for 51 children under 5 years with currently 79 children on roll, 24 of whom are in receipt of Education funding.

Opening hours are Monday to Friday from 07:00 hours to 18:00 hours, throughout the year, excluding Bank Holidays.

Children are cared for over 2 floors in self contained areas, and in rooms, according to age.

Outdoors is an enclosed rear garden.

The proprietor has a level V NVQ qualification in Management as well as a Diploma; a Nursery Nursing qualification and a teaching certificate.

Over 70% of the rest of the staff also have a childcare qualification, with the aim to have all staff holding some qualification.

The nursery manager has established good links with the local authority special needs worker and the nursery recently have been awarded Quality Counts award from the National Day Nursery Association.

How good is the Day Care?

Teeney Tots nursery provides good care for children.

The nursery is well staffed with over 70% of them holding a relevant childcare qualification.

The nursery is situated over 3 floors, children cared for on the first 2 floors, in rooms according to age.

Outdoors is an enclosed, rear garden.

The premises since being taken over by the present proprietor, have been much improved, with refurbishment taking place throughout.

There is a good range of age appropriate equipment and resources for children, many of these which have or are in the process of being replaced.

All records as required were available and of a satisfactory standard. Medication recording does need to improve however, in line with the National standards.

There are supporting policies and procedures.

Staff were generally observed throughout the day, to take care with children and safeguard them, with safety gates in situ. However they must all exercise care when stacking resources. Some stacked resources on this inspection, if had not been moved, when pointed out to staff member, could have caused an accident.

Hygiene procedures in place were seen to be acceptable with policy in place for sickness and illness.

Children are provided with a healthy and nutritious, multi cultural diet with drinks freely available for them. Any special dietary needs would be catered for and individual children's needs catered for, according to parental wishes.

Staff need to develop their knowledge of child protection procedures.

A stimulating variety of activities was available for children throughout the day, all age appropriate, with also children having opportunities for free play, with staff 'on hand' to offer support if needed.

Children were given plenty of praise and encouragement in their play by staff and their behaviour was well managed.

The proprietor has developed good relationships with parents, all who will soon receive a new parent pack, with brief information on policies and procedures.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Not applicable.

What is being done well?

- The newly approved proprietor has made major improvements to the premises in a relatively short period of time. There have been new windows installed throughout almost all of the nursery, with vertical blinds fitted also. These allow staff to control shades of light within each room, thereby aiding the comfort of children within, particularly the youngest of children.
- Also total refurbishment including equipment has taken place, of the baby room, including new carpet. The proprietor is to continue making improvements throughout the whole of the nursery.

- Children have benefited from the changes, one of which has been to obtain low storage units, helping to organise resources for them, into the areas of learning, and allowing them more freedom of choice.
- Also notice boards have been lowered in the older age group room. Children are now able therefore not only to see their work better but able to put things on the boards for themselves. This helps to give them greater pride in their achievements.
- The manager has developed good links with other professional and specialist workers, this enabling them to provide and support care needed for children with special needs.
- Knowledge gained from attending training is shared by her with the rest of the staff.
- On this inspection all staff were seen indulging in conversation with parent's, when they collected their children. They were heard to be giving them very full feedback about how their child had been during the day, parent's being made very welcome too.
- Written comments from parent's and those spoken with, expressed their utmost satisfaction with the nursery and the care it provides for their children.

What needs to be improved?

- staff knowledge of child protection
- staff vigilance in ensuring resources are safely stored
- medication recording.

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
6	Make sure that all staff take care when putting resources away to ensure safely stacked.
7	Ensure that medication recording is always clearly recorded and in line with the Standards required.
13	Develop staff's knowledge and understanding of child protection issues and local procedures.

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.