



Office for Standards
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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date	04/08/2004
Inspector Name	Margaret Bryant

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type	Full Day Care
Setting Name	Happy Kidz Nursery
Setting Address	1 James Reckitt Avenue Hull HU8 7TH

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name	Happy Kidz Nurseries Ltd 3856300
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ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name	Happy Kidz Nurseries Ltd
Address	1 James Reckitt Avenue Kingston Upon Hull HU8 0JE

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

Happy Kidz Nursery and out of school club is based in self contained, purpose built premises, on James Reckitt Avenue in Hull, some 2 miles from the City Centre.

The nursery is situated to the East of Hull and is near to several primary and junior schools.

Nearby is the busy Holderness road which has a wealth of services and shops.

The nursery has been operational for 8 years and is registered to care for 73 children under 8 years. All are cared for in rooms according to age.

Presently they have a total of 139 children on the register, 22 of whom are 8 years and over.

The nursery is accredited to take children in receipt of Education funding and currently 29 children of the total cared for, are in receipt of this.

The Manager in charge, has an NNEB qualification and over 90% of the rest of the staff also hold a childcare qualification.

The nursery are members of the National Private Day Nursery Association and last year achieved their Quality Counts award.

They also receive support from the Local Authority Early Years Day Care Partnership.

How good is the Day Care?

Happy Kidz Nursery provides good care for children.

Purpose built premises with additional recent extension, enable all ages of children cared for, to have plenty of space. It is well organised in terms of resources, enabling children's needs to be met effectively.

Sufficient, appropriately qualified staff are present with training for all in child protection, health and safety, food hygiene and first aid.

There is an exemplary range of age appropriate furniture and equipment, which is well maintained and conforming to safety standards.

Records are generally satisfactory though medication recording needs to be improved. Also parental permission is to be in place for transportation of children in a vehicle. Supporting policies and procedures are in place. The complaints procedure should be expanded however to ensure that parents have the Ofsted address and telephone number.

Positive steps have been taken to ensure safety of all children in the nursery with plans in place, effectively reducing risks, throughout.

Procedures are in place to ensure good hygiene practices are followed with children, with nutritious meals being served.

All children are valued and included with their needs respected and activities adapted accordingly.

Staff are attending further child protection in the near future.

A wide range of play opportunities are available through a curriculum which is planned according to children's individual development, rather than age.

Children are helped to develop their skills and learning through play and introduced to the rest of the world through topics covered.

Behaviour management is consistent and appropriate.

Professional relationships have been developed with parents. Over 30 completed questionnaires were received from parents, all without exception, stating their satisfaction with the care provided by the staff for their children.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Improved security measures with restraints now on upper windows with new extension providing more space for children to be cared for, in self contained areas.

What is being done well?

- The range of resources and equipment for children of all ages is exemplary, and all are in a good and safe condition. Positive steps are also taken to ensure safety of children through the measures in place, both inside and outside, via safety gates in situ; cameras and intercom entry only.
- Premises very clean and well maintained.
- Children have many opportunities through a well planned curriculum, which ensures that all children, regardless of age, can join in with the fun. They have the opportunity also to explore different materials through craft activities. Children under two years were enjoying collage work on this inspection along with heuristic play session, recently introduced, and which

was managed effectively.

- Children under two years enjoyed immensely the music session, with the visiting 'music man'. All ten small children were totally absorbed in this session and thoroughly enjoyed it.
- Two very minor, separate disputes, amongst children, were handled well by staff with consistency seen in what they were saying and how they handled the situation. Disputes therefore were resolved very quickly as a result with children going off happily.
- Generally throughout the day, there was a very happy and homely atmosphere with all children very contented, well occupied and therefore less opportunity for conflict to arise in the first place.
- Staff are proactive in ensuring that all children's needs are met, and making sure that all children feel valued and included. Children learn, through staff example, to respect all of their peers, regardless of difference. They are shown and explained to that everyone is equal and has a right to the same opportunities, though activities may be adapted to achieve equality of opportunity for all.

An aspect of outstanding practice:

The proprietor and Manager work hard to ensure children have maximum opportunities for learning, through not only the curriculum provided by the staff, but to ensure children's knowledge is increased through having involvement from outside agencies. The present daily visits from Young Enterprise provide children with lots of opportunities for learning about the community and citizenship. On this inspection the theme for the day was hospitals, with discussions, craft work and a visiting ambulance ensuring that children gained the maximum of information they could about the subject matter.

What needs to be improved?

- complaints procedure to make reference to Ofsted
- medication recording to improve
- permission from parents for outings to include transportation in a vehicle.

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	Ensure that written permission from parents includes transportation in a vehicle.
7	Obtain written permission from parents before administering medication to children and ensure countersignature is also obtained acknowledging it was given.
12	Make available to parents a written statement that provides details of the procedure to be followed if they have a complaint, including address and telephone number.

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.