

DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 11/08/2003

Inspector Name Harmeet Kaur Kalra

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Out of School Day Care

Setting Name Tabot Playcentre

Setting Address South Kilburn Adventure Playground

Granville Road, Kilburn

London NW6 5RA

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name

ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name Mr Mark Moore & Mrs Angela Moore

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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

Tabot Plays Centre is based in Kilburn and was registered in 1998. The scheme operates in a purpose built playground. They have the use of two rooms, kitchen, office, storage and toilets. The scheme also has the use of the outside play area.

The play scheme is registered to provide a total 30 places for children aged between 4-8 years old, it also provides care for children over the age of 8 years. The total number of children cared for does not exceed 40. The play centre also operates before and after school care during term times and a play scheme during school holidays.

There are 5 permanent staff and 5 volunteer staff employed to work with children. Five members of staff hold first aid certificate and four members have completed Child Protection Training. Two staff members are doing NVQ level 2 and are hoping to finish in October 2003.

This registration does not include over night care. No smoking is allowed in the building.

How good is the Day Care?

Tabot Play Centre provides satisfactory care for children aged 4 - 8 years old, however there are some weaknesses. Ofsted must be notified of significant changes. The ratio of qualified staff needs to improve and this is being addressed as two staff members are doing NVQ Level 2 in child care and hoping to finish in October 2003. Five staff members hold valid First aid certificate and four staff members have completed child protection training.

There are some good aspects of the services regarding the warmth of care children receive. Children over 8 years also attend the club. The staff work well together as a team and supervise the children appropriately so that children feel safe, happy and secure at the setting.

There is a range of suitable toys and activities, which enable children to be well occupied at the club. The staff ensure that children's individual needs are catered for.

Good behaviour is valued at the setting. Staff are consistent when handling children's behaviour and good behaviour is encouraged.

Relevant information is provided about the setting and parents are informed about their child's activities. The required documentation is in place at the club.

What has improved since the last inspection?

An Accident/Incident book has been maintained and is available for the inspection. This enables the staff to identify if any changes are needed to improve safety.

Low level glass has been made safe and now the glass does not pose a risk to children.

The setting has given consideration to the number of children that they were registered for by reducing to this to 30. Children now have adequate space in to play in.

A sick child policy has been devised, parents are now aware of the rules to prevent the spread of disease and infection which should help children to remain healthy.

Cleaning materials have been made inaccessible to the children, now risk to children's welfare is minimised.

Two staff members are attending NVQ Level 2 and will be finishing in Oct 2003. The qualification will help the staff to provide appropriate care or development of children.

Another fridge has been obtained, it will help to store perishable goods/lunches.

What is being done well?

- Staff are suitably deployed at activities, children receive appropriate supervision and support. (Standard 2)
- Staff plan activities in advance. Staff are interested and involved with the children, they respond appropriately to their needs, ensuring children are happy at the group. (Standard 3)
- Staff have a good knowledge of equality, which enables children to have equal access to experiences and opportunities. The staff encourage the children to be involved in all activities, which enables children to be well occupied. (Standard 9)
- The staff manage children's behaviour well. There are clear guidelines for acceptable behaviour at the setting. Children learn good behaviour which is encouraged and praised. (Standard 11)
- Staff work well in partnership with parents. They provide relevant information about the setting and give feedback to parents about their child's activities. Children like the activities on offer and say that they have fun at the club.(Standard 12)

What needs to be improved?

- the provider needs to inform to Ofsted of any staff changes and proposed staff are vetted (Standard 1 Regulation 4 of Statutory Instrument 1828);
- an action plan detailing the training programme to meet the criteria 50% staff hold appropriate qualification (Standard 2);
- the visitor book needs to be maintained; (Standard 2)
- the late child colletion policy needs to be reviewed; (Standard 6)
- good hygiene needs to be maintained in the toilet area (Standard 6); and
- the gas boiler needs to be checked regularly and conform to safety requirements and do not pose a hazard to children (standard 6)

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	Ensure that person in charge has suitable qualifications for the post.	18/02/2004
1	Ensure to notify Ofsted of all significant changes: including staff changes and proposed new staff are vetted. (Regulation 4 of Statutory Instrument 1828)	18/09/2003
2	ensure that there are effective procedures in place for checking that staff are suitably qualified and/or experienced to work with children.	18/11/2003
2	Ensure that a visitor book is maintained.	18/09/2003
6	Ensure that good hygiene is maintained in all areas.	18/09/2003
6	Ensure that Gas boiler is regularly checked and conforms to safety requirements.	18/09/2003

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.