



Office for Standards
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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 18/11/2003
Inspector Name Ann Mort

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care
Setting Name Fairfield Private Day Nursery
Setting Address 72-78 St. Helens Road
Leigh
Lancashire
WN7 4HW

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Mrs Denise Reynolds

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

Fairfield Private Day Nursery opened in 2001. It operates from 10 rooms in a detached property in Leigh, serving the local and wider community. Offering full day and out of school care there are currently 93 children on roll. This includes 29 funded 3 year olds and 11 funded 4 year olds. The nursery opens five days a week from 07:30 to 18:00 all year round except for Christmas Day and Bank Holidays. Sessional care is also on offer from 07:30 until 12:45 or 13:15 until 18:00. Full time staff work with the children. All but one member of staff hold early years qualifications of N.N.E.B., B-Tech. or N.V.Q. Level 3. The setting is involved with and receives support from Wigan Sure Start.

How good is the Day Care?

Fairfield Private Day Nursery provides good, quality care for children.

Staff interact well with each other and with the children, giving clear explanations and supporting them to work either independently or in a group situation.

Staff present a good balance of activities that are either adult led or initiated by the children.

They are made aware of documentation relating to the children in their care and recording of children's progress takes place throughout the age range. This information is readily available to parents.

Forward planning in line with the requirements of

What has improved since the last inspection?

At the last inspection there was a need to consider staff deployment to ensure consistent care staff for babies, to conduct a risk assessment of the premises, including heat output of radiators and update consent forms.

Staff deployment now ensures full time staff work in the baby room, risk assessments have been carried out and relevant consent forms updated.

What is being done well?

- Management plan staff recruitment with the aims and objectives of the nursery borne in mind. They consider an applicant's own particular qualification, skill and expertise in order to provide suitably trained, experienced staff to care for and develop children's all round learning.
- Staff are aware of the developmental stages of young children and seek, through appropriate planning, to present both stimulating and quiet activities to enhance a child's learning experience. The resources available, coupled with relevant wall displays give children opportunity to consolidate knowledge and re-visit information.
- Staff are aware of health and safety issues and conduct a risk assessment of the outdoor play area before children access.
- Staff present meal times as a sociable occasion, sit with the children and encourage conversation.
- Staff take account of a child's character and nature and alter conversational tone and approach accordingly. They give each child the opportunity to have contributions to the conversation; play and work are praised and valued. Children are happy and confident in their attempts and proud of their achievements.
- Staff keep parents well informed of daily happenings at nursery and of future plans.

What needs to be improved?

- the procedure for accident and medication recording and that of keeping policies updated.

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
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14	Review procedures for accident and medication recording and update Child Protection Policy.
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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.