



Office for Standards  
in Education

## DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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### INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date	15/09/2003
Inspector Name	Hilary Elizabeth Tierney

### SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type	Sessional Day Care
Setting Name	Broadlands Pre-School Centre
Setting Address	Burrows Field Moorend Grove, Leckhampton, Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 0EX

### REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name	The Committee of Broadlands Pre-School Centre 2919558 1055656
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### ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name	Broadlands Pre-School Centre
Address	Burrows Field Moorend Grove, Leckhampton, Cheltenham Glos GL53 0EX

## 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

Broadlands Pre-School Centre is situated in the residential area of Leckhampton, which is to the south of Cheltenham town centre. The pre-school has been operating for twenty five years. It is managed by a voluntary parent committee. The premises are purpose built and have an enclosed garden adjacent to playing fields and a park.

Broadlands is open Monday to Friday, during school terms and offers play-based learning for children from two-years-nine months to five years. Sessions are offered from 09.00 until 11.45 or 12.30 until 14.30. Four morning sessions are for three and four year old children only.

The group is registered for 26 places and currently receives funding for 31 three year olds and 1 four year old. There are no children with special educational needs or with English as an additional language currently attending the group.

A team of seven staff are employed, some of whom work part time. Rota parents support the staff during the sessions. The staff have all completed childcare training and hold a variety of childcare qualifications.

The centre receives support visits from the Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership development worker.

### How good is the Day Care?

Broadlands pre-school centre provides good quality care. They provide a safe and secure environment where the children are able to play happily. Safety is a priority and the doors remain locked throughout the session. The front door has an alarm to alert staff if it is opened. The enclosed garden area has double locks on the gates.

The group is well resourced, and the staff provide a wide and balanced range of activities for the children to play with. They encourage the children to think and make decisions for themselves. There is good interaction between the staff and children with time given to listen to children's comments and questions. The children are treated with equal concern and care by all the staff. Good personal hygiene is promoted, the staff encourage the children to wash their hands before meals and after using the toilet.

Parent involvement is encouraged in the group, with most parents attending for rota duty. Committee members are known to parents. The staff plan small outings with

the children and parents are involved with larger ones. Staff communicate effectively with parents about their child's routine on collection.

#### **What has improved since the last inspection?**

There was one action from the last inspection. This was to develop an action plan to show how the person in charge is to achieve the appropriate qualification. The person in charge has almost completed the National Vocational Qualification at level 3, this has given her a greater understanding about the management of the group and the ability to provide suitable care for the children.

#### **What is being done well?**

- The children feel happy and secure in their surroundings.
- There is good interaction between the staff and children and the children can access all toys and equipment easily. The group has a wide and balanced range of resources.
- There is good, effective use of praise and encouragement and the children are well behaved and polite.
- Good personal hygiene is promoted, staff encourage the children to wash their hands before meals and after using the toilet.
- Staff have built good relationships with parents and they share in the care of the children.

#### **What needs to be improved?**

- the child protection policy to include details of procedures to be followed in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff.

#### **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?**

<b>The Registered Person should have regard to the following recommendations by the time of the next inspection</b>	
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Std	Recommendation
13	expand the child protection policy to include details of procedures to be followed in the event of an allegation being made against a member to staff.

## **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.*