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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 19/06/2003
Inspector Name Maggie Buckley

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care
Setting Name ABC Day Nursery
Setting Address 193 Newsome Road South
Huddersfield
West Yorkshire
HD4 6JH

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Ms Dianne Joan Bangali

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

ABC Children's Day Nursery opened in 2002. It is a refurbished modern single storey building in the Newsome area of Huddersfield. The nursery serves the local, and surrounding areas.

All day care takes place on the ground floor. There are four rooms available, the baby room caring for children up to one year, the toddler room caring for children aged one to two years. The infant room which cares for children aged two years and above. The fourth room is a dedicated children's dining room. In addition there is a kitchen, staff room, office and laundry room. The nursery has two fully enclosed outdoor play areas, one for the under twos and one for the over twos. There is a car park on site.

There are currently 52 children from three months to four years on roll. This includes one funded three-year-old and three funded four-year-olds. At present there are no children with special needs or children who speak English as an additional language attending.

The nursery opens five days a week, fifty one weeks of the year from 08.00 until 18.00. Children attend for a variety of sessions.

Ten staff work directly with the children all of whom have Early Years training and qualifications. The owner of the nursery is on site but not counted within staffing ratios.

The nursery receives support from the Early Years and Childcare Development Partnership (EYDCP).

How good is the Day Care?

ABC Children's Day Nursery provides satisfactory quality of care for children. The premises are well laid out giving children in rooms more than the required space, to enable staff to provide a variety of activities and play areas both indoors and outdoors. There is a good range of equipment, toys and furniture which assist in meeting children's individual needs. All the staff working directly with the children have qualifications in Early Years and there is a commitment to further training for all staff. Induction procedures for new staff and the organisation of staff records are inconsistent.

Most systems for promoting children's health and safety are satisfactory. However, attention must be given to ensuring that all staff are familiar with child protection issues. Effective procedures are in place for ensuring the safe arrival and collection of children. There are good hygiene practices in place and children's understanding is encouraged through daily routines. Meals and snacks are freshly prepared and nutritious. Systems are in place to record children's dietary requirements and to record each child's daily intake.

There is good interaction between the staff and children. Staff ensure children in each of the rooms are interested and involved in a range of activities which are planned to aid their development. They understand the positive impact of encouraging children to behave well. Staff make observational records of children in the setting. However these need to be extended, to take into consideration the next step in a child's learning and development.

Positive relationships exist with parents and information about the nursery, activities, planning, procedures and policies are shared. Systems are in place for exchanging information daily both verbally and in writing for each child attending the day nursery. However, these need to be extended to include regular discussions with each child's key worker.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Not applicable.

What is being done well?

- Good use of space which allows children to be able to move freely and access a variety of play areas both inside and out
- Staff interact well with the children and provide a range of interesting and stimulating activities to aid children's development
- Toys, equipment and furniture are in good condition and meet children's individual needs
- There are good hygiene practices in place and children's understanding is encouraged
- Good behaviour is encouraged and children respond well
- High priority is given to planning and providing a wide range of healthy and nutritious food, multi cultural, and special dietary needs are well catered for.

What needs to be improved?

- safety with regard to emergency evacuation procedures and fire drills
- administration of medicine, ensuring that medicines are not usually administered unless they have been prescribed, and that parents signature is obtained acknowledging medicine given

- procedures, knowledge and understanding of child protection and training for the designated member of staff.

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
13	develop staff's knowledge and understanding of child protection issues	11/08/2003
2	ensure all staff have induction training which includes health and safety and child protection policies and procedures in their first week of employment	11/08/2003
6	implement clearly defined procedures for emergency evacuation of the building which are known to all staff and ensure fire drills are carried out periodically, keeping records	11/08/2003
7	keep a written record, signed by parents, of medicines given to children	11/08/2003
7	ensure that medicines are not usually administered unless they have been prescribed for that child by a doctor	11/08/2003
13	ensure that there is a trained member of staff who has responsibility for child protection issues	11/08/2004
13	ensure that the child protection procedure for the nursery complies with local Area Child Protection Committee (ACPC) procedures	11/08/2003

The Registered Person should have regard to the following recommendations by the time of the next inspection

Std	Recommendation
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3	ensure staff observations and records of what children do are used to help them plan the next steps in children's play and learning
1	ensure that there are effective procedures in place for keeping records relating to staff clearances and qualifications
12	extend information sharing with parents in respect of children's progress to include meetings with key workers

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.