



Office for Standards
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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date	11/12/2004
Inspector Name	Julia Louise Crowley

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type	Out of School Day Care
Setting Name	DAZU Club
Setting Address	1 John Bradshaw Road SOUTHGATE London N14 6BT

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name	The Committee of The Committee of Dazu 1014547
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ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name	The Committee of Dazu
Address	Unit 9 Claverings Industrial Estate London N9 0AP

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

Dazu Club opened in 1996. It operates from the Alan Pullinger Centre in Southgate which is a large purpose built community centre. The group uses the main hall area and small hall area.

The group serves the children from the community and local schools. The group operates at various times, two days a week in the school half term holidays between 13:45 and 14:45, 13:30 and 14:30, and Saturdays between 09:30 and 12:30, 14:00 and 16:30. Children attend for a variety of sessions. The setting currently supports a number of children with children with special needs and who speak English as second language.

Twenty three part-time and full time staff work with the children. Over half the staff have an early years qualification in childcare and/or specific skills and specialism in arts, crafts, theatre and PE. The setting receives support from the Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership (EYDCP).

How good is the Day Care?

Dazu Club provides good quality care for children.

The physical environment is clean and tidy. Staff have fully utilized the space to ensure that the children work and play in comfort. The outdoor area enables the children to explore the outside environment and use natural light and space, offering them a choice of setting when weather permits. They have created a safe environment indoors and outdoors that allows children to explore with minimal risk to their safety and health, however fire drills are not recorded and a daily risk assessment is not evidenced. The staff records were complete and procedures for vetting staff are effective.

Children are received into a warm and welcoming atmosphere and a regular routine helps the children to feel relaxed and secure. Staff promote good hygiene procedures which is evident in their day to day practises, and children fully understand the purpose for washing their hands and they do so routinely. Currently there is no system for recording administration of medicines. Staff have good knowledge of children's individual needs and ensure that they are happy and well cared for by valuing and respecting their abilities and differences.

The children are given, a range of opportunities to help develop their social skills, a variety of creative activities and a good range of play options. Older children are forming friendships with their peers, they cooperate and play well together in adult directed activities and in those they initiate themselves. Resources are plentiful and used effectively to maintain children's interests and build on their creative learning. The group promotes equal opportunities in their practices and policies.

The group works effectively with parents and carers through regular communication and a welcoming approach. Most required paperwork is up to date however the policy for lost children and the complaints procedure is not complete.

What has improved since the last inspection?

There are no actions from the previous inspection.

What is being done well?

- Staff provide a warm and welcoming environment.
- Staff are very good at responding to children's needs and providing resources to support their interests.

What needs to be improved?

- the procedure for lost children
- system for recording medication administered to children and fire drills
- the contact information supplied in the complaints procedure

PREVIOUS COMPLAINTS (This section applies only to inspections carried out from September 2004. The complaint record relates to complaints from the last inspection or 1st April 2004 whichever is later.)

There are no complaints to report.

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 the risk assessment and fire drill are recorded.
7	Obtain written record of medicines given to children.
12	Make available to parents a written statement that provides all details of the procedure to be followed if they have a complaint

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.