



Office for Standards
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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date	11/05/2004
Inspector Name	Peter, Stuart Woodhouse

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type	Full Day Care
Setting Name	The Rises
Setting Address	Hill Street Shaw Oldham Lancashire OL2 8PQ

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name	Mrs Lynn Minshall
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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

Mrs Lynn Minshall is registered to provide care for 47 children under five years at The Rises Private Day Nursery, Hill St, Shaw.

The nursery has been registered since May 2003.

Sitting in its own grounds, the nursery is within easy access of the centre of Shaw and its railway station. Parks and shops are nearby.

The provision is open from 07:30 to 18:00 Monday to Friday apart from Bank Holidays and Christmas.

There are currently 37 children from birth to five on roll. This includes four funded three year olds and one funded four year old. There are no children with special needs or with English as a second language attending at this time.

Mrs Minshall is the person in charge. She has appropriate qualifications as does her deputy. Of the 19 members of staff, over 60% are qualified to at least NVQ level 2 or 3, with the remainder of staff currently training to a similar level.

The Nursery is based in a large two storey building which has been completely renovated. The children's accommodation comprises of five group rooms with their own adjoining bathrooms and utility rooms. Rooms are divided into different play and activity areas. Children are based in rooms according to their age. Children are able to participate in physical and outdoor play activities in the outdoor play area, which has an impact absorbing safety play surface. Accommodation also includes an office, staff room and kitchen facilities. There is off road car parking and a small car park to the front of the building.

How good is the Day Care?

The Rises Private Nursery provides good care for children.

All staff give high priority to ensure children are safe both inside and outside the premises, undertaking regular risk assessments.

Staff work well together and offer a wide range of experiences of working with children in a caring and consistent approach. They attend training, appropriate to the ages of children in the nursery. The group provide weekly play plans which offer

children a wide variety of experiences.

A good range of play and learning equipment is available, suitable for children of all ages. Staff organise an interesting programme of activities for the children. All play and learning equipment are of good quality and support children's imagination and creativity. Equipment is changed regularly throughout the day, ensuring children's development and learning is stimulated and challenged. There was evidence of toys and equipment that promote equality of opportunities in use on the day of inspection. The group also offer topical projects to encourage children's thinking and research.

All children are encouraged and educated in healthy eating and good hygiene practices. The staff have a good working partnership with parents, which was evidenced from the many parental questionnaires returned. Parents are usually kept up to date and aware of all activities through regular information sharing and the child's daily diary.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Not applicable

What is being done well?

- Children have access to a wide range of activities in a well set out, safe, secure and welcoming environment.
- Children are offered a good and varied selection of play which stimulates and develops the children's knowledge and confidence.
- The staff recognises the need to challenge children's imagination by offering a selection of stimulating equipment and projects.
- All children are encouraged and educated in healthy eating and good hygiene.
- Good clear policies and procedures in place understood by staff and parents.

What needs to be improved?

- designated person for behaviour management
- detailed information for parents to make complaints.

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
11	Appoint a designated person who has responsibility for behaviour management.
12	Ensure parents are given full contact details of the regulator should they wish to make 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.