

DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 30/10/2003

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care

Setting Name East Teign Nursery

Setting Address Teignmouth United Reformed Church

Dawlish street Teignmouth Devon TQ14 8TB

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name The Committee of Teignmouth United Reformed Church Trust

ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name Teignmouth United Reformed Church Trust

Address Teignmouth United Reformed Church

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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

East Teign Nursery opened in 2002 and occupies the Teignmouth United Reform Church, which is situated close to Teignmouth town centre. The nursery has use of rooms on the ground and first floors as well as kitchen and toilet facilities. There is no outside play area, but children may use the church for physical play, and are taken on local walking outings.

The nursery is open for five days a week Monday to Friday from 08:00 to 18:00 all year round and is registered to provide care for a total of 35 children from babies up to five years old. The registration does not include overnight care. There are currently 12 children attending who receive Early Years education funding.

The nursery is managed by Teignmouth United Reform Church Trust, who employ five qualified staff, three of whom have NNEB, and two have NVQ3 qualifications. In addition two assistants are working towards NVQ3, and support is also available from voluntary staff.

Staff have experience in caring for children who have special educational needs, and who have English as an additional language. Staff attend support meetings with the Devon Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership.

How good is the Day Care?

East Teign Nursery provides satisfactory quality care for children.

The nursery has a very friendly and welcoming family atmosphere, children and babies are settled and secure, and enjoy a balanced and well planned variety of activities. Staff create a cosy and comfortable environment for babies, and there are stimulating displays for children to enjoy. Staff are caring and enthusiastic and effectively encourage children to enjoy their play.

Staff care for the children conscientiously and are most aware of their individual needs and interests. The key worker system works well, and the nursery is well managed and organised. The nursery is well equipped and resourced, although some difficulties are currently evident due to the grouping of all the children in one room, and resulting space and storage problems. Staff have a satisfactory awareness of safety within the nursery, although some improvements are required regarding health and hygiene. Staff have a thorough understanding of their

responsibilities regarding child protection. Children enjoy a varied, well cooked and balanced diet.

Acceptable standards of behaviour are evident, and staff generally encourage children's appropriate behaviour consistently. The nursery communicates with parents most effectively, and staff keep parents well informed about their children's development, activities and routines used within the nursery.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Not applicable

What is being done well?

- The manager has worked hard to create a very comprehensive and detailed operational plan, which clearly links with the National Standards and is implemented effectively by staff.
- Children and babies are happy and secure and enjoy an interesting, well
 planned and balanced range of play activities. Staff are friendly and
 responsive and care for the babies and children with warm enthusiasm,
 making frequent opportunities to talk to children whilst encouraging them to
 express their ideas. Staff are most aware of their responsibilities.
- Children are provided with a varied, nutritious and enjoyable diet, taking into account their individual needs and preferences. Detailed information is displayed on the parents' notice board about all meals and snacks provided for the children during the month.
- Staff have a very good understanding of the individual needs of all children in the nursery. All children are clearly valued and included. The equal opportunities co-ordinator ensures that resources are available which reflect the wider community and promote positive images of ethnicity, gender and ability.

What needs to be improved?

- safety, including recording of procedures used when children use the church hall and when taken out on outings, and safety on the stairs.
- hygiene and health, including procedures for nappy changing, hand drying arrangements for staff, safe storage of medication, and first aid training.

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 should have regard to the following recommendations by the time of the next inspection	
Std	Recommendation
6	Ensure that risk assessments of all outings and the use of the church hall are recorded. Improve children's safety on the stairs by installing a handrail on the wall.
7	Improve routines and procedures for nappy changing, staff hand drying, storage of medication and first aid training.

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.