



Office for Standards
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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date	01/08/2003
Inspector Name	Teresa Marie Taylor

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type	Full Day Care
Setting Name	BRIGHT KIDS AT STUDLEY
Setting Address	Briarwood, The Slough Studley Warwickshire B80 7EN

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name	Millenium Bright Kids Company Limited
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ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name	Millenium Bright Kids Company Limited
Address	Two Oaks The Slough Studley Warwickshire B80 7EN

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

Bright Kids Day Nursery and Out Of School Club is one of three nurseries owned by a private limited company and is situated in semi rural surroundings on the outskirts of Studley. It opened in January 1999. The majority of children are from the local area. The nursery premises comprise of a large traditional house, which has been converted for the sole use as a nursery with a separate portable building to the rear for the out of school club. There is direct access to a large, fully enclosed garden area to the rear of the house, with a gardening plot and lawn area beyond. The nursery has its own car park at the front of the house and there are woods and fields within easy walking distance.

The nursery is open 51 weeks of the year from 07:30 to 18:00 and the majority of staff employed have or are studying for relevant qualifications. The setting supports children with special needs.

The nursery is a member of the National Day Nurseries Association and has achieved 'Centre for British Teachers Quality matters' accreditation. The setting receives support from a teacher/mentor from the Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership (EYDCP). Staff also use British Sign Language (BSL).

How good is the Day Care?

Bright Kids provides satisfactory care for children. The nursery is warm and welcoming. Staffing is well organised and most areas were staffed above the minimum requirements. However, the supervision of children over five, not going on outings, will need to be re-assessed as two children remained at the nursery but no provision was made for them.

On the whole many areas of the nursery are safe but there are several areas that need to be attended to. These include; the management of meal times, access and safety of the greenhouse and surrounding area, children's sleeping arrangements, available space for the under 2's and, the care and suitability of arrangements for oral hygiene.

There is a wide range of toys and equipment and a well planned outdoor play area. In the areas for children under three, children were not encouraged to explore or have free access to the available resources. Staff chose all activities and equipment. In the areas for children aged over three there was good use of resources and,

children were encouraged to develop their own activities and make use of equipment. There is a good variety of outdoor play equipment but staff did not make use of it. Children's behaviour was good and staff did provide good role models. Some staff had a good understanding of children's needs and did try to meet these.

The nursery has good relationships with parents. With the exception of the policy on child protection, all other policies were displayed. Parents are provided with an information booklet, which contains relevant details of the nursery. Parents are regularly up-dated on events within the nursery via a newsletter. Daily diaries are kept for all children under two and daily conversations with staff are encouraged. Staff do need to ensure that all medication records are signed by parents.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Not applicable, as no actions were raised at the previous inspection.

What is being done well?

- There is a warm and welcoming environment where parents are made welcome.
- Good information is supplied for parents prior to children being admitted and regular feedback is provided for parents.
- Children's behaviour is good. They are valued and listened to, with the staff providing good role models.
- All paperwork is up-dated regularly and parents are kept informed of changes within the nursery. Confidentiality is maintained whilst providing easy access to paperwork and documentation.
- The garden for the under five's has been well planned, providing different areas, and safety flooring for the large play equipment.

What needs to be improved?

- the safety of all areas of the nursery, particularly the sleeping arrangements for children under two years and the space available to them;
- the access to a variety of suitable toys and equipment, including those that support equal opportunities;
- the procedures for oral hygiene are suitable and appropriate;
- the awareness and understanding of staff to follow all nursery procedures, including arrangements for children not going on outings;
- the availability of the child protection policy to parents and the provision of information on the policy to parents prior to children being admitted.

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
4	ensure all areas of the nursery are safe, including sleeping babies;	31/08/2003
6	ensure health and safety regulations are met regarding the transportation of meals;	31/08/2003
6	ensure the risk assessment includes the greenhouse and water butt;	31/08/2003
13	ensure there are arrangements to share child protection procedures with parents;	31/08/2003

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

Std	Recommendation
3	ensure toys and equipment are organised so that younger children can select them easily and are encouraged to do so by staff;
4	ensure there is sufficient space to accommodate the numbers of under two's registered for;
7	ensure staff have due regard to the nursery policy on the administration of medication and parents sign the medication record;
7	obtain information on the appropriate storage and renewal of toothbrushes.

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.