



Office for Standards  
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## DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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### INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 29/03/2004  
Inspector Name Michelle Smith

### SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Out of School Day Care  
Setting Name FARLEA KIDS CLUB (WALHOUSE) - VAR  
Setting Address WALHOUSE SCHOOL  
NEW PENKRIDGE ROAD ,  
CANNOCK  
STAFFORDSHIRE  
WS11 1HN

### REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Farlea Kids Clubs Ltd

### ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name Farlea Kids Clubs Ltd  
Address 276 Cannock Road  
Heath Hayes  
Cannock  
Staffordshire  
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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

Farlea Kids Club (Wallhouse) opened in 1998. It operates from the main hall and a classroom within Wallhouse School, Cannock. The Out of School Club serves the local area.

There are currently 30 children from 4 to 11 years on roll. Children attend for a variety of sessions.

The group opens 5 days a week during school term times. Sessions are from 15:30 until 18:00.

Four part time staff work with the children. Half of the staff have early years qualifications to NVQ level 2 or 3. One staff member is currently working towards a recognised early years qualification. The setting receives support the Early Years Development Partnership (EYDCP). They are currently working towards Aiming High '4 Children' quality assurance scheme.

### How good is the Day Care?

Farlea Kids Club (Wallhouse) provides good quality care overall for children. Resources are organised effectively allowing children good opportunities to develop their independence. Staff use their time well and provide an appropriate balance between adult and child led activities. Policies and procedures are very good and form a good foundation for working practice. However, written procedures for ensuring children are collected by the right person are inconsistent and the wording for emergency medical treatment is insufficient.

Staff are well informed of their responsibility to promote children's health and safety. Written risk assessments are frequently reviewed in order to minimize hazards. As a result children are safe and well cared for. Staff know the children well, they provide appropriate care to meet each child's needs.

Activities enable children to make good progress in all areas of learning. Children are encouraged to be independent learners and to initiate play with other children. Play opportunities are well organised and enable children to self select activities. Children display high levels of involvement in activities of their choosing and use equipment imaginatively.

Relationships with parents are good. A wide range of methods ensure parents are kept informed about the setting and their child. Parents wishes are respected by staff at the setting ensuring children's needs are met.

#### **What has improved since the last inspection?**

Not applicable

#### **What is being done well?**

- A warm and welcoming environment is provided in which to care for children. Space and resources are well organised which results in children being confident in their surroundings.
- Staff are deployed effectively. They offer appropriate support within activities, allow space for peer interaction and for children to lead the play.
- Activities provide children with as much choice as possible and help children to make good progress in all areas of development. Children play imaginatively with a range of resources.
- A comprehensive range of policies and procedures are consistently implemented leading to a positive impact on the care of children.

#### **What needs to be improved?**

- the sufficiency of consent gained from parents for emergency medical advice and treatment
- the consistency of written information regarding children being collected by authorised people.

#### **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**

<b>by the time of the next inspection</b>	
<b>Std</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
6	Make sure the written procedure is consistent regarding the safe collection of children.
7	Gain sufficient parental consent for the seeking of emergency medical advice and treatment.

## **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.*