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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 07/07/2003
Inspector Name Daphne Prescott

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Creche Day Care
Setting Name Club V
Setting Address 36 Bromyard Avenue
London
W3 7AU

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Virgin Active Limited 3448441

ORGANISATION DETAILS

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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

Kidsville is situated within Virgin Active Life Centre. The premises are located in a residential area of Acton and serve the local community for sport and leisure activities.

Kidsville is open to members of Virgin Active Life Centre. The opening hours of Kidsville will depend on the programme of activity events in operation. Kidsville registration opening hours are from 9:00 to 08:00, Monday to Friday. On Saturday and Sunday, 09:00 to 17:00.

Kidsville accommodates a total of 74 children aged 6 weeks to 7 years, consisting of 9 children under 2 years, 10 children 2 - 3 years and 55 children aged 3 - 7 years. Up to 12 children aged 8 to 15 years can also attend Kidsville.

Children stay for a maximum of two hours; during the two hour session children are divided into specific age groups and older children move round the different activities on offer in Kidsville.

The provider is not registered for overnight care.

Kidsville currently employ 14 staff including the manager and deputy manager. Staff qualifications include, BTEC National Diploma and NVQ level 2 and 3.

How good is the Day Care?

Kidsville provides satisfactory care overall for children aged 6 weeks to 7 years.

The staff work very well to provide a range of activities that are appropriate to the age and development of children attending. However, resources reflecting diversity are limited. The activities offered encourages children in their play, creative skills and physical development. There is good deployment of staff that allows staff to support and encourage the children's learning and development. Staff support the children to participate in group activities which encourages the children to play together, share and take turns and develop their social skills.

The staff are aware of safety issues and potential hazards and complete risk assessments on the areas used by the children to ensure the children's safety at all times.

The policies and procedures are thorough, although the child protection procedures lack some details.

The staff have developed positive relationships with the parents and children. The environment provides a warm welcome to both children and parents. Staff greet the children and parents individually, in a caring and friendly manner.

What has improved since the last inspection?

This is the first inspection since their registration.

What is being done well?

- There is good and effective deployment of staff that allows sufficient numbers of staff to work with the children. There is good grouping of the children, play areas have been arranged to allow the children the opportunity to enjoy their play. There are two base areas for children under three years, which provides safe and secure areas for the younger age groups. In the under 2's base area, the same staff stay in this area to provide consistency in the caring of the babies attending. The manager is very aware of ensuring staff ratios are maintained and provides appropriate cover to ensure the children's safety. (Standards 2, 3 and 4).
- The crèche offers a wide range of play activities and learning opportunities that are suitable for each child's age and development. The children are interested in their activities provided and play happily. Staff spent time with the children supporting their individual learning and development needs. All children and babies were given plenty of attention and encouragement to their activities (Standard 3).
- There is plenty of space for children to move around in Kidsville. The environment is very warm and welcoming. The areas used by the children are child friendly. Children are relaxed and happy in their environment. Staff have developed very good relationships with the parents and children. Staff welcome children and parents individually and in a warm and friendly manner (Standard 4 and 12).
- There is an effective system for security for the safe arrival and departure of children. Kidsville have their own separate entrance and reception to the crèche. A member of staff lets the parents and children in by a gate which is on an electronic lock. A CCTV camera operates within the crèche reception area (Standard 6).

What needs to be improved?

- the creche needs to build on toys and resources that reflect positive images of culture, ethnicity, gender and disability (Standard 9);
- the child protection procedures need to include a procedure to be followed in the event of an

- allegation being made against a member of staff or volunteer (Standard 13);
- the child protection procedures need to comply with local Area Child Protection Committee (ACPC) procedures (Standard 13).

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
9	build on toys and resources that reflect positive images of different cultures, ethnicity, gender and disability;
13	include in the written child protection procedure, procedures to be followed in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff or volunteer;
13	ensure the child protection procedure for the crèche complies with local Area Child Protection Committee (ACPC) procedures.

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.