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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 17/01/2005
Inspector Name Lorraine, Susan Fay

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care
Setting Name Little People of Burnley
Setting Address Eldwick Street
Burnley
Lancashire
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REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Just Childcare Ltd 5095704

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

'Little people of Burnley' is one of the 'little people' nursery group operating in the Lancashire area. The nursery is situated on Eldwick Street close to Burnley centre. The premises have been purposely designed to meet the needs of young children. The Nursery operates from Monday to Friday from 07:00 until 17:45 for fifty one weeks of the year.

Children have access to three main areas, the toddler unit, the pre school unit and the baby unit for children under the age of two years. There are toilet facilities for children and nappy changing stations. Children also benefit from a secure outdoor play area. There is a kitchen, office and staff rest room.

There are sixty one children on roll three of whom speak English as an additional language. There are no children with identified special needs. There are thirty children of pre school age, some of whom are in receipt of funding for Nursery education.

There are twelve staff working directly with the children all of whom hold relevant childcare qualifications. There is also a cook employed.

This setting receives support from the Sure Start, Early Years & Childcare Service.

How good is the Day Care?

The Nursery, Little People of Burnley provides satisfactory childcare.

All Nursery staff hold relevant childcare qualifications. Staff make good use of internal space within the Nursery, however space within the baby unit is not as well utilised. The premises in general are warm and welcoming in which children are happy and secure. A wide range of quality equipment is available to all age ranges. Staff use equipment very well in order to meet individual children's needs. They ensure that children can readily access equipment. Documentation is kept to a high standard and is regularly reviewed.

An emphasis is placed on safety, both within the setting and during outdoor play. Detailed risk assessments are regularly updated. Children are introduced to good hygiene practices through their daily routines. They learn to wash their hands at appropriate times throughout the day. There is a proportion of staff who hold up to date First Aid Training certificates, however the storage of medication requires some

attention. Children enjoy a healthy diet and learn about foods which are good for them. The majority of staff are aware of child protection issues.

Staff plan a wide range of interesting and challenging activities. Children of all age ranges benefit from quality craft and imaginative play experiences. Staff get to know the children very well, this assists them in meeting children's individual needs. Staff are good role models who have high expectations of children. As a result children know their boundaries and are very well behaved within the setting.

Positive partnerships are established with parents from the onset. Parents are provided with sound information about the setting and detailed information about their own child's progress and development. Staff make parents feel welcome and make themselves available for regular discussions. As a result parents speak highly of the service provided.

What has improved since the last inspection?

not applicable.

What is being done well?

- Staff plan a wide range of interesting and challenging activities for all age ranges. Children particularly enjoy a variety of craft and imaginative play experiences. Children take great delight in taking the role of the vet in the role play area. The younger children enjoy making pizza's and creating collage owls using feathers.
- Children enjoy a nutritious diet. They enjoy 'home cooked food' freshly prepared on the premises. Children take part in the dental campaign 'Smile For Life'. As a result they learn about healthy eating and foods which are good for them.
- Staff get to know the children very well in order to meet their individual needs. They gather detailed information from parents in relation to children's likes and dislikes. Parents of babies provide staff with information about their child's routine. This enables staff to provide a level of continuity. As a result children are happy and secure within the setting.
- Positive partnerships are established with parents from the onset. Parents are provided with information about the setting and their Child's development and progress. Staff create a welcoming environment in which parents feel welcome. Parents speak highly of the level of care provided by this Nursery.

What needs to be improved?

- deployment of staff and the use of space within the baby unit
- storage of equipment within the baby unit
- storage of medication

- staffs awareness of child protection procedures.

PREVIOUS COMPLAINTS (This section applies only to inspections carried out from September 2004. The complaint record relates to complaints from the last inspection or 1st April 2004 whichever is later.)

There have been no complaints to report from 1st April 2004.

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
2	ensure that the space in the baby unit is organised in order that children can eat, sleep and play appropriately and that equipment is stored appropriately
2	ensure that staff in the baby unit are effectively deployed during the lunch time period
7	ensure that medicines kept in the medicine cabinet have not reached their expiry date
13	ensure that all staff are aware of procedures to be followed should an allegation be made against a staff member

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.