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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 09/11/2004
Inspector Name Audrey Opal Ufot

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care
Setting Name Rockingham Community Day Nursery
Setting Address Falmouth Road
Borough
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REGISTERED PROVIDER 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

The Rockingham Community Day Nursery operates from a purpose built nursery within the Rockingham Community Centre building. It is voluntary nursery operated by a management committee and is funded by fee paying parents and a grant from Southwark Early Years. A full time manager is employed to run the nursery.

The nursery provides full day for children from the local community, SE1 and SE17. There are currently 32 children from 2 years to 5 years on roll. This includes 12 funded 3 year olds and 5 funded 4 year olds. Children attend for a variety of sessions. The nursery currently supports a number of children with special educational needs and who speaks English as an additional language.

The nursery opens five days a week except for Bank Holidays and one week at Christmas and Easter. Opening hours are from 08:00 to 17:00.

There are 8 members of staff working with children. All staff holds appropriate qualification in child care and education to a minimum of NVQ level 2 and the majority holds NNEB and NVQ level 3 certificate or equivalent. One member of staff is SENCO trained and the nursery receives support and advice from Southwark EYDCP and a Speech Therapist.

How good is the Day Care?

Rockingham Community Day Nursery provides satisfactory care for children.

Children are able to access the age appropriate equipment and resources. The staff have created sufficient space for the children to access all of the activities that are on offer.

Children and staff's attendance are recorded on a daily basis and there is a visitor's book available. Documentation is updated as and when necessary and is shared with all staff members. Although, Ofsted was not informed of relevant changes regarding the manager and deputy on maternity leave and most of the management committee have not completed CRB forms.

Children are kept safe inside and whilst on outings. Sick children are made safe and comfortable until their parents arrive.

Staff have acquired a selection of dual language books and there are a range of different languages displayed around the nursery. Staff also find out about children's home languages, which are displayed around the nursery.

Staff sensitively attend to children's needs. All children have close relationships with the staff and new children are given appropriate attention to help them settle into the nursery. Staff plan a variety of activities to support the children with their learning. Staff monitor and evaluate the activities that are on offer.

Children behave well and staff praise and encourage children at all times. As a result of this children are able to describe how they are feeling.

Partnership with parents is very good. Parents report that their children are well cared for. Parents have access to their children's records and are given copies of relevant policies and procedures.

What has improved since the last inspection?

No action was made at TI visit.

What is being done well?

- Staff have a good understanding of using space and resources effectively, they use the premises well and make effective use of resources to progress children's development.
- Staff have a good understanding of health and safety issues, they follow procedures to ensure children are safe at all times.
- Staff consistently manage children's behaviour in a positive way, ensuring high expectation of behaviour.
- Staff work well with parents and there are good links between the child's home and the nursery.

What needs to be improved?

- the unused fish tank to be removed and re-positioned in a safer area.
- the recording of fire drill to be kept up to date.
- procedures for checking that the management committee members are all CRB checked.
- adherence to local Area Child Protection Committee (ACPC) procedures in Child Protection policy.

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
1	Ensure that Ofsted is kept informed of all staff changes and appropriate vetting procedures initiated.	10/12/2004

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

Std	Recommendation
13	Ensure that the child protection procedure for the nursery 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.