



Office for Standards
in Education

DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date	29/07/2003
Inspector Name	Lesley Jane Bott

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type	Full Day Care, Out of School Day Care
Setting Name	The Church of God of Prophecy Playscheme and After School Club
Setting Address	1 Gloucester Street Wolverhampton West Midlands WV6 0PT

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name	Gloucester Street Community Centre
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ORGANISATION DETAILS

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Address	1 Gloucester Street Wolverhampton West Midlands WV6 0PT

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 Church of God of Prophecy After School club and Playscheme operates from the church community centre which is known as the Gloucester Street Community Centre. The groups have access to one large hall and three smaller rooms, kitchen, toilets and large outdoor play area. The After School Club and Playscheme provide a service to the local community and more than 15 schools in Wolverhampton.

There are currently 50 children aged between 5 to 8 years old on the roll for After School and Playscheme. Children attend for a variety of sessions.

The After School Club opens five days a week from 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm during term time. The Playscheme runs in school holidays from 8.00 am to 6.00 pm, first four weeks of the summer holidays and all other school holidays.

Six staff work with children, 50% have early years qualifications. The setting receives support from Early Years, Local Authority, Childcare Information Services and charity organisations.

How good is the Day Care?

The Church of God of Prophecy provides good care for children. The venue is safe, clean and tidy. Clear routines for both the After School and Playscheme allow the children to feel secure, this is reflected in the children's good behaviour. High priority given to safety and effective systems for arrival and collection of children.

Daily activities for the Playscheme are displayed for parents and children, and children given the opportunity to choose what activity they want to do. There is a good variety of equipment which is used by the After School Club and the Playscheme which is suitable for all ages. Good use is made of the rooms available and the outside play area, the Playscheme also organises regular trips and outings during the holidays using their own mini buses.

Relationships with parents are good, staff are flexible to the children's needs and produce informative leaflets for the After School Club and Playscheme. Some further improvements will be made in respect of Complaints system and updating procedures.

What has improved since the last inspection?

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

What is being done well?

- Children have the opportunity to be involved in a suitable range of activities. They are given choices, their interest taken into account, and they are allowed to bring in toys from home.
- Good use is made of available space both indoors and out. The rooms are laid out to allow the children easy access to toys and equipment.
- Wide range of play equipment and books are available to meet individual needs of the children. Additional equipment is used from the toy library attached to Early Years Partnership.
- A high priority is given to the condition and safety of equipment, and security of the premises. Safety issues are discussed with older children.
- Good hygiene routines are in place with the children. There is a procedure in place if children should become ill to ensure that the children are well cared for. First aid training has been completed.
- After School Club provides varied and healthy food and drink for the children.
- Behaviour management is discussed with parents and children are encouraged to behave well. Children were involved in drawing up of the rules.

What needs to be improved?

- make available to parents a written statement that provides details of the procedure to be followed if they have a complaint;
- amend Child Protection Policy to include procedure for allegations made against staff.

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 by the time of the next inspection	
Std	Recommendation
6	ensure fire drills are carried out and reported in book.
6	obtain copy of motor insurance for L945 MHH and send to Regional Centre
7	ensure that accident book is signed by parents
12	make available to parents a written statement that provides details of the procedure to be followed if they have a complaint.
13	develop (staff's) knowledge and understanding of child protection issues

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.