



Office for Standards  
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## DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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### INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 02/02/2005  
Inspector Name Benita Catherine Hart

### SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care  
Setting Name Childbase Ltd, Coventry-Westwood  
Setting Address Westwood Business Park  
Westwood Way  
Coventry  
West Midlands  
CV5 6UB

### REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Childbase Ltd 2418535

### ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name Childbase Ltd  
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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

Westwood Day Nursery is part of the Childbase Ltd organisation. It opened in 2004 and operates from purpose built premises situated on the Westwood business park on the outskirts of Coventry. A maximum of 66 children may attend the nursery at any one time and no more than 34 children may be under two years. The nursery is open daily from 08.00 to 18.00 all year round. All children share access to the secure enclosed outdoor area.

There are currently 44 children on roll and the nursery is in receipt of funding for nursery education. Children come from the local and wider catchment areas. The nursery will make provision to support children with special needs or for children where English is an additional language.

The nursery employs eleven staff including the manager and cook. All staff hold an appropriate childcare qualification apart from the cook and one nursery assistant. The nursery receives support from the local Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership.

### How good is the Day Care?

Westwood Nursery provides good quality care for children aged from nought to five years. They operate from purpose built premises that are bright and welcoming. A high priority is given to safety and security of the premises is excellent. Health issues have been well addressed and hygiene standards are good. Consistent daily routines encourage good hygiene practices with the children. The children's dietary needs are well catered for.

The nursery is well organised and staff are deployed appropriately using their time and resources well and working effectively together as a team. The staff are patient and caring and interact well with the children, recognising their individuality and meeting their differing needs. The impact on the children is that they are happy and settled and have good relationships with the staff. The staff plan a range of stimulating, activities and play opportunities for the children from a broad range of resources and equipment, although outdoor equipment for older children could be improved. Equality of opportunity has been well addressed and procedures are in place for children with special needs although there are no children attending with special needs at this time. The children are well behaved and co-operative and the staff have a calm and consistent approach to behaviour management and

acknowledge good behaviour and achievements with praise and encouragement.

Partnership with parents is well established and the staff keep parents well informed of their child's day and their ongoing development and progress. The nursery has a comprehensive range of policies and procedures to cover all aspects of management and good practice in childcare.

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

Not applicable, as this is the first inspection since registration.

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

- The nursery provides a wide range of learning and play opportunities for the children. The environment is well organised and caring and the children are happy and settled.
- The nursery gives a high priority to the health and safety of the children and the staff have a good awareness of hazards both inside and outdoors and are vigilant at all times.
- The nursery provides a nutritional diet for the children and all the food is freshly prepared and well presented to the children.
- The children's behaviour is very good. The staff's practice reflects their policy and they demonstrate a calm and consistent approach to managing the children's behaviour.

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

- the range of equipment outdoors to meet the needs of the older children for climbing.

#### **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 are no complaints to report.

#### **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
5	Provide a range of equipment outdoors to meet the needs of the older children for climbing.

## **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.*