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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 05/01/2005
Inspector Name Michael, David Charnley

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care
Setting Name Little People of Piccadilly
Setting Address Piccadilly Road
Burnley
Lancashire
BB11 4PP

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 Piccadilly Nursery operates under the company name 'Just Childcare Limited' and is one of the four registered nursery provisions in the Lancashire area of the same group. The nursery is situated on Piccadilly Road in Burnley close to the town centre and local amenities. The building is single storey and was originally a school.

The setting is open for 50 weeks of the year from 07:00 to 17:45 hours and is registered to take up to 99 children in total from birth to under 8 years. This includes provision for school age children ,before and after school and during school holidays. There are a total of 80 children on roll. The setting supports children with special needs.

The nursery is divided into 3 separate units, for babies under 2 years, toddlers from 2 up to 3 years and a pre school area for children from 3 up to 5 years. A lower ground area is used for school age children. There is an office, kitchen and staff facilities.

There are in total 16 staff employed within the setting including the area manager for the group, nursery manager, deputy and cook. The majority of staff hold relevant early years child care qualifications.

The setting receives input from the 'Sure Start Early Years Childcare partnership'.

How good is the Day Care?

Little People of Piccadilly Nursery provides satisfactory care for children. Staff create a welcoming and stimulating environment for the children. Space and access to resources are organised as a means of encouraging children's ability to move around the different areas independently. Staff assume their responsibilities appropriately and work together as a team to provide meaningful play experiences for children of varying ages. Records are well organised, easily accessible and stored in confidence.

Attention is given to keeping children safe on and off the premises with regular risk assessments carried out by designated staff. Children learn the importance of health and hygiene practices as part of the daily routine activities with the provision of a varied and nutritious diet. The serving of hot meals at lunch times is not always

effective in that a delay in organising children to sit at the table results in food going cold. Staff have an understanding of their responsibilities in reporting child protection issues although the written procedure is not entirely accurate and a key member of staff has not received training.

Staff plan a stimulating programme of activities for children of varying age groups which cover all aspects of learning. Children show an eagerness to learn and participate enthusiastically in their chosen pursuits. Staff form positive relationships with the children and offer good levels of support. Children freely access resources of interest some of which portray positive images of people from different backgrounds, however not all furniture and facilities are in a suitable state of repair and condition. Staff use appropriate strategies to manage children's behaviour and offer children praise and encouragement.

Partnership with parents is fostered appropriately. Staff use various lines of communication to keep them informed about the setting's activities and updates on their children's progress.

What has improved since the last inspection?

not applicable

What is being done well?

- Staff are attentive and supportive towards the children. They talk, listen and ask questions to make children think about what they are doing. They form good relationships with the children who respond well to words of encouragement and praise.
- There are positive strategies for boosting children's self esteem and confidence which includes the rewarding of certificates for children's achievements, efforts and good behaviour.
- There are good systems in place for monitoring and observing children's progress which involves keyworking, keeping parents informed and records of children's achievements as they approach school age.
- There are attractive visual displays of children's work that portray positive images of the world in which we live. For example a collage entitled 'Meet our friends from around the world' helps children to appreciate and value individual differences.

What needs to be improved?

- the toilet facilities in the pre school room
- the arrangements for serving children's meals
- the suitability and condition of furniture in the toddler room
- the opportunities for key staff to attend relevant child protection training

- clarity of understanding as to the child protection procedure if an allegation was made against a member of staff.

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

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
4	Ensure that toilet facilities are maintained in a suitable state of repair and condition.
5	Ensure that the armchair in the toddler room is maintained in a suitable state of condition and repair.
8	Review the arrangements for serving children's meals at lunch time with food temperatures in mind.
13	Clearly specify the procedure to be followed in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff and make training available to key members of staff as a means of widening their 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.