

Office for Standards in Education

DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date	26/06/2003
Inspector Name	Anne Urwin

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type	Out of School Day Care
Setting Name	Edisford After School Club
Setting Address	Edisford Primary School Edisford Road Clitheroe Lancashire BB7 2LN

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name

The Committee of Edisford After School Club 3177

ORGANISATION DETAILS

Address Edisford Primary School Edisford Road Clitheroe Lancs BB7 2LN

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

Edisford After School Club is an established provision sited in Edisford Primary School, Clitheroe, Lancashire. The registered provider is Mr David Edmundson. Current registration allows for the provision of before and after school care for up to 26 children aged three years to under eight years of age. Children aged over eight are also able to access places at the After School Club. The provision is not registered to offer overnight care.

The After School Club offers childcare sessions from 07:45 to 08:45 and from 15:15 to 17:30 each Monday to Friday during term time only.

The After School Club have use of the main school hall, the small dining hall and one classroom. In addition, children have access to suitable toilet and handwashing facilities and to a large outdoor play area in the school grounds.

There is a staffing group of three, including the Supervisor, plus one staff member who runs the craft club and a pool staff member. The Supervisor, Mrs Carole Mathews, is NNEB qualified and has nineteen years experience as a nursery officer in a local authority day nursery. Two other staff members hold NNEB qualifications.

There are no pets.

The After School Club is a non-smoking environment.

How good is the Day Care?

The standard of day care in this setting is satisfactory. The Supervisor is familiar with the National Standards for Out of School Care and all the standards are met.

The management team have created a welcoming and child friendly environment in which children can enjoy a wide range of stimulating activities in a variety of areas. The available space is well organised to offer children the opportunity to take part in physical play or relax and enjoy more quiet activities. Children move about the club with confidence and are relaxed and settled.

Parents are welcomed into the setting and receive comprehensive written information about the club and it's policies and procedures resulting in good relationships between parents and staff and better outcomes for the children. Most health and safety issues are satisfactory creating safe areas in which children can enjoy out of school activities in a secure environment. Mrs Mathews has recently completed a course in child protection further enhancing child safety.

There are some minor organisational issues which require addressing and constructive methods to progress these forward have been discussed.

What has improved since the last inspection?

The last inspection carried out at this setting generated five actions, four of which concerned documentation and the fifth a safety issue.

All the actions have been satisfactorily addressed by the management team who have produced written statements covering risk assessment, bullying and special needs, obtained written parental consent to seek emergency medical treatment and low level glass has been made safe.

These actions by the management team have improved information available to parents and prospective users of the recource and improved child safety.

What is being done well?

- Space is well organised to accommodate both active and quiet persuits.
- Children are offered a wide range of stimulating activities in a variety of environments.
- Parents are warmly welcomed into the provision and provided with good written information.

What needs to be improved?

- the arrangements for ensuring that the boys toilets are hygienic and suitable for use at the beginning of the after school session. (Standard 4)
- the provision of at least one staff member holding a current first aid certificate. (Standard 7)
- the information in the complaints procedure about the address and telephone number of the regulator. (Standard 12)

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

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Std	Recommendation
4	ensure that the boys toilets are hygienic and suitable for use. (Standard 4)
7	ensure that there is at least one member of staff with a current first aid certificate on the premises at any one time.(Standard 7)
12	ensure that the complaints procedure includes the address and telephone number of OFSTED. (Standard 12)

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.