



Office for Standards
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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 19/01/2004
Inspector Name Michelle Ann Parham

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care
Setting Name Woodentots Nursery
Setting Address Newgate Lane
Fareham
Hampshire
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REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Charlies Little Angels

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

Woodentots Nursery is a privately run establishment situated in HMS Collingwood Naval Base, Fareham. The nursery is registered to care for 90 children aged under five years and is operational Monday to Friday 7.30am to 6.00pm for fifty one weeks of the year.

Currently there are three buildings accommodating the children which are self contained from the Naval base.

The nursery accommodates service and civilian personnel who work on the base. The nursery is registered to take funded children.

The nursery has an outside play area available to the children.

How good is the Day Care?

Woodentots Nursery offers good quality care for children.

Staff organise the premises well and have effective procedures to ensure it is comfortable, maintained and suitable for use. The play resources are extensive and the children have regular access to outside play, however there were some issues identified with regard to promoting a stimulating environment and children's accessibility to resources. Most of the relevant paperwork is maintained.

Staff have a good level of awareness of risks to children and most areas for ensuring their health and well being are met. However, a weakness was identified with regard to cleanliness of equipment. They give high priority to monitoring a secure premises and the safety of children. The staff have an understanding of healthy eating and nutrition and ensure dietary needs are addressed.

Staff recognise children as individuals and meet their differing needs well. Behaviour is managed effectively and the quality of interaction is good and enhances all aspects of children's development. The children enjoy attending, are happy, settled and relate well to the staff and each other. They are interested and fully involved in activities, keen to communicate and to find things out for themselves.

There is appropriate partnership with parents and carers. The relationships are trusting, open and friendly. Parents are listened to, informed about the provision and have opportunity to share information about their child.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Not applicable

What is being done well?

- The nursery is bright, warm, welcoming and well maintained. There is adequate play space and the children have regular access to outside play to promote their physical development.
- The nursery has a range of good quality play resources and equipment that meets the needs of children under five years. The resources are stimulating, varied and well maintained and help the children develop and extend their learning in all areas.
- The nursery has effective procedures in place to identify risks and promote safety, all appropriate precautions are taken to prevent accidents and injury to children and staff.
- The group provides healthy and nutritious snacks, meals and drinks throughout the day. The staff are aware of children's special dietary requirements and allergies and work closely as a team to ensure individual needs are met.
- The staff have a consistent and relaxed approach to behaviour management. They use positive techniques such as distraction, discussion, occasional time out, reward and praising and encouraging the children which encourages them to learn right from wrong and about acceptable behaviour.

What needs to be improved?

- children's access to play resources and the opportunity to initiate their own choice of play
- the level of hygiene and cleanliness of baby chairs
- the documentation; comprehensive visitors details required and formal incident recording undertaken.

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
3	Enable children to access resources independently and initiate their choice of play.
7	Ensure good levels of hygiene are maintained.
14	Introduce a formal method of incident recording and ensure all visitors details are recorded.

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.