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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date	05/02/2004
Inspector Name	Pamela Woodhouse

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type	Full Day Care
Setting Name	Burton Day Nursery
Setting Address	131 Salisbury Road Burton Christchurch Dorset BH23 7JN

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name	Mrs Rosemarie Ann Coleman
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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

Burton Day Nursery opened in 2002 and is registered to provide care for 41 children under five years of age. It operates from three play rooms and a sleep room in former school premises. There is an enclosed outside play area. The nursery is situated in Christchurch and serves the local community and surrounding areas.

There are currently 115 children from birth to five years on roll. This includes 25 funded three year olds and 10 funded four year olds. Children attend for the whole day or for a variety of sessions. The setting supports children who have special needs and those for whom English is an additional language.

The nursery opens five days a week for 51 weeks of the year from 08:00 until 18:00

It does not offer overnight care.

Seven part-time and nine full time staff work with the children. The Manager and Proprietor are supernumerary. A chef is employed to prepare and cook children's lunches. Over half of the staff have an early years qualification and two are currently working towards increasing the level of their qualification. The setting receives support from the Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership (EYDCP). It is a member of the National Day Nurseries Association (NDNA) and is working towards NDNA Quality Counts accreditation.

How good is the Day Care?

Burton Day Nursery provides good care for children.

The setting is well organised and management and staff are very clear about their respective roles and responsibilities. Staffing ratios are high, the managers are supernumerary, which means that all children are well supported. Students are not usually left on their own with the children, however, there are occasional lapses. Policies and procedures are very clear and put into practice effectively. The premises are cheerful, warm and welcoming and good use is made of space and resources to provide children with a stimulating environment indoors and in the outside play space.

Staff are very aware of safety issues and undertake daily risk assessments of the environment which means that children are safe. There are excellent hygiene procedures in place to minimise risk to all the children. A healthy cooked lunch is

provided every day by the chef, parents are informed in advance about the menu and children's dietary needs are always taken into consideration.

Staff know the children well, each child has a key worker who observes and assesses them, however, these observations are not used to help their progression. There is good interaction with the children from staff. They have a particularly tactile approach with the babies. The children are very settled and confident and have a wide range of activities available to them which are stimulating and fun to do. Children play well together in small and large groups as well as on their own. Their behaviour throughout the nursery is very good and staff manage this in a low key but positive manner.

Parents receive a wide range of information about the setting and are kept informed through daily discussions with staff and through newsletters. A positive partnership with parents is encouraged and staff are looking at ways to improve this further.

What has improved since the last inspection?

At the last inspection the Registered Person agreed to; obtain written permission from parents to seek emergency medical advice or treatment and to ensure that all records relating to daycare are accurate and in line with the requirements of the National Standards.

She has addressed both of these issues by; obtaining written permission from parents and implementing required records. These are maintained accurately which ensures all children are kept safe.

What is being done well?

- Staff know the children well and have a very good rapport with them. They interact appropriately and promote children's confidence in themselves by use of encouragement and praise. The babies and children are very settled and secure, they respond well to staff. They enjoy and are stimulated by a good range of activities and resources which help them progress. All of the children are very well behaved, they respond positively to instruction and have respect for their peers and adults.
- The environment is stimulating and inviting and children are grouped appropriately according to their age and/or stage of development. There are opportunities to mix to foster a family atmosphere.
- Staff have a very good awareness of health and safety issues. There are good systems in place to ensure ongoing risk assessments and the removal of potential hazards. Hygiene procedures are excellent, they are thorough and all staff implement them rigidly which means that the children are well protected. Healthy eating is encouraged through home cooked fresh foods prepared and cooked on the premises by the chef.
- Parents are given good information about their children through daily discussions and a comprehensive range of written information. There is good liaison and parents are pleased with the provision the setting offers.

What needs to be improved?

- procedures to protect children from unvetted persons
- observation and recording systems.

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
1	Ensure that there are suitable arrangements to protect children from unvetted persons
3	Ensure that observation and recording systems inform plans for the next steps in children's play and learning

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.