



Office for Standards  
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## DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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### INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 26/07/2004  
Inspector Name Janet Skippins

### SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Creche Day Care, Full Day Care  
Setting Name Les Enfants at Total Fitness  
Setting Address Total Fitness Health Club  
Tandem Mills  
Wakefield Road  
Huddersfield  
HD5 0AL

### REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Les Enfants Private Day Nurseries Ltd

### ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name Les Enfants Private Day Nurseries Ltd  
Address 486-490 Wakefield Road  
Huddersfield  
West Yorkshire  
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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

Les Enfants at Total Fitness has been registered since 2000 and is operated, along with two others, as part of a limited company. It is located at Waterloo, Huddersfield and serves the local community and surrounding area. It operates in the same building as a fitness centre. There are six playrooms, a kitchen, office, staff room and toilets for children and adults. There are also two outdoor play areas. It is open from Monday to Friday all year round from 07:30 to 18:00.

They are currently caring for 72 children of which 18 3-year olds and 1 4-year old are in receipt of nursery funding. Children attend for a variety of sessions. The nursery also runs a crèche to care for children whose parents are using the facilities in the adjoining fitness centre. The nursery supports children with special needs as well as those with English as an additional language.

14 staff are employed. The majority of staff hold a childcare qualification. The setting receives support from the Local Authority. It is also holds the Investors in People award.

### How good is the Day Care?

Les Enfants at Total Fitness provides good care for children from birth to five years. The management and staff create a very happy, welcoming atmosphere in a clean and well maintained environment. There are two very secure, well equipped outdoor areas. The manager and staff attend training courses to keep their knowledge up to date. The nursery runs smoothly using some very good systems, policies and procedures are understood by staff. Only one aspect of paperwork requires attention.

The management and staff ensure that the environment, both indoors and outdoors is safe for children. They have a very good awareness of children's individual needs, including dietary needs, and relate very well to the children. The nursery is a clean, healthy and hygienic environment and children are encouraged to develop good hygiene practice.

Children benefit from consistent routines for playing and break times. They enjoy a range of stimulating play and learning activities and good resources are presented to encourage easy access. The manager and staff work very well as a team to provide a positive approach to managing children's behaviour and children are very well

behaved.

Parents are made to feel very welcome in the nursery, they have very good relationships with the managers and staff. Written and verbal information regarding their child is exchanged on a daily basis. Parents are able to access their child's developmental records easily. The notice board, operational plan, parent's brochure and newsletters provide useful information about the nursery.

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

not applicable

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

- A high emphasis is placed on making the nursery a welcoming environment both inside and outdoors. Space and resources are used imaginatively to create a very stimulating and orderly environment for the children. Children's work and posters are displayed and toys and equipment are easily available. Children have easy access to two separate, safely enclosed outdoor areas which are very well equipped to meet their differing stages of development.
- Provision for babies and children under two is very good. The management and staff give excellent attention to meeting babies' individual needs for eating and sleeping and to exchanging information with parents. They plan activities well to give babies and toddlers interesting sensory experiences.
- In the crèche the children take part in well planned activities, records of their activities are kept and shared with parents. Children normally attend the same sessions on a regular basis and form good relationships with their peers.
- There is a strong emphasis on equal opportunities throughout the nursery. The nursery offers French lessons for the older children on a weekly basis. Staff provide good care for children with special needs and those with English as an additional language. There are displays of photographs throughout the nursery of children from differing backgrounds and those with special needs who are currently attending nursery or have done so recently. The equal opportunities policy is well written, covers all aspects of the nursery's work and is understood by all staff.
- The managers and staff are very good role models with high expectations for children's behaviour. They are consistent in their approach, using positive behaviour strategies. Children behave very well, are caring and show respect to each other.

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

- The written records of medicines given to children, to include the parents signature to acknowledge the entry.

**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
7	Modify the written record of medicines given to children, to include parent's signatures which show acknowledgement of the entry.

## **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.*