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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 24/02/2005
Inspector Name Margaret Patricia Mellor

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care
Setting Name Walton Kiddiwinks Nursery
Setting Address 54/56 Grey Road
Walton
Liverpool
Merseyside
L9 1AY

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name . Mr and Mrs Cain

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

Walton Kiddiwinks Nursery were registered in January 1998. It is privately owned and managed. The nursery occupies the ground floor of a large detached Victorian house. It operates in 3 rooms including a self contained baby unit. All children share access to a soft play area, sensory room and secure fully enclosed garden. The nursery is situated in Walton, a residential suburb of Liverpool.

A maximum of 35 children aged under 5 may attend at any one time. The nursery is open each weekday from 07:00 to 18:00 hours with the exception of bank holidays. Currently there are 55 children on roll aged from 3 months to 4 years. On the day of the visit 28 children are present and of these, 4 children receive funding for nursery education. Children attending primarily live in and around Liverpool.

The nursery employs the 13 staff of whom 4 are job share. All staff hold an appropriate early years qualification and 9 have a First Aid certificate. A cook is employed for preparing the children's meals. An early years teacher supports with the children's educational programme and they are implementing Birth to 3 Matters. They network with Liverpool Early Years Development Childcare partnership and attend cluster meetings.

How good is the Day Care?

Walton Kiddiwinks Nursery standard of care for children is satisfactory. Staff are organising the space creatively so the under 2's are exploring their environment safely and children are reaching their many toys easily. The atmosphere is warm and welcoming with children's art work displayed throughout. A set of policies inform most nursery activities with some review of the lost or uncollected children, child protection and behaviour incident procedures needed. All daily records are stored securely and up to date.

The premises are safe and secure. All safety features are in place such as monitoring access and regular fire drill practices keeping children and adults safe. Staff understand health procedures such as nappy changing and are encouraging children's developing awareness of their individual care needs as they wash their hands. Children are having drinks regularly and enjoying a very varied and healthy diet. Staff are aware of child protection issues and procedures.

The children are well occupied and staff very attentive. Children are being

encouraged to talk about the pictures in the book at story time and the under 2's to play with their toys. Children's creativity, sensory experiences and understanding of different cultures are being positively enhanced through play. All children are joining in the activities and having fun. Staff are very responsive and managing children's behaviour with regard for their age and maturity so their experiences at nursery are happy and positive.

The staff are working in partnership with parents. The Open door policy is effective and parents are warmly greeted as they arrive. There is exchanging of information about children's eating, routines and activities supporting continuity of care. Parental involvement in reviewing children's progress records with key workers is on the nursery's agenda. Parents are very happy with children's relationships with staff, their care, diet and activities.

What has improved since the last inspection?

At the previous inspection 6 actions were agreed. These referred to and included; devising an operational plan; providing a record of visitors to the nursery and evidence of vehicle insurance; and obtaining a copy of the Area Child Protection Committee procedures.

They have; drawn together and reviewed policies which now make up the operational plan; introduced visitors records including the times they are on the premises; maintained vehicle insurance documents on the premises; and accessed a copy of and become familiar with the local ACPC.

All actions of the previous report have been met.

These are further safeguarding children and adults.

What is being done well?

- The children are well occupied and are dressing up, free painting at the easel and the under 2's enjoying many sensory experiences fostering their creativity. Children are having lots of fun whilst learning through play.
- The atmosphere is warm and welcoming with art work for all ages of children and activity photographs displayed throughout fostering their self esteem. Children are settled and content in their care environment.
- The staff are vigilantly monitoring access to the premises and regular fire drill practices are an element of the children's activities. Staff are making children's and adults safety a priority.
- Healthy eating is encouraged such as a variety of freshly prepared meals, salads and fruits such as raisins, banana and apples enabling children to experience many different tastes and textures.
- Celebrations are part of the children's experiences and they are making Chinese New Year roosters and Christmas cards with lots of glitter enhancing their understanding of their own and others cultures.

- The staff are very attentive giving children lots of praise and cuddles as rewards when they are behaving well such as taking turns and the under 2's being helpful at tidy up time. Children are happy and their nursery experiences positive.

What needs to be improved?

- the procedures for lost and uncollected children
- the records detailing any incidents of physical restraint.
- the procedures should their be any allegation or concern made about 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 since 1st April 2004.

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 must take the following actions by the date shown

Std	Action	Date
2	Devise and implement procedures for lost or uncollected children	10/03/2004

The Registered Person should have regard to the following recommendations by the time of the next inspection

Std	Recommendation
11	Introduce a system for recording any incidents of physical restraint
13	Take steps to review the child protection statement so it reflects procedures regarding any allegation or concerns made about staff

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.