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Our Reference 221639

Dear Ms. Yvonne Murrell

Outcome of monitoring visit for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Elaine Nightingale, carried out a monitoring visit of your provision on 13/01/2012. This visit follows on from your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of the visit

As a result of our inspection on 14/12/2011, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

You were required to ensure that: the premises, both indoors and outdoors are safe and secure and take steps to prevent intruders entering the premises; the risk assessments take account of outdoor spaces, furniture, equipment and toys so that they are safe and suitable for purpose; the record is maintained and includes any information about when and by whom they have been checked and children's hours of attendance are recorded.

Actions were also set to ensure:

Children's health is promoted and steps taken to prevent the spread of infection; a record of accidents and first aid treatment kept and parents informed of accidents and injuries sustained and first aid treatment given; evidence of enhanced Criminal Record Bureau checks obtained is kept; a balance of adult led and child initiated activities are provided and delivered through indoor and outdoor play; observational assessments are undertaken in order to meet children's individual needs; systems are organised so that every child receives an enjoyable and challenging learning and development experience that is tailored to meet their individual needs and that records are easily accessible and available for inspection by Ofsted.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that at this time the setting is making satisfactory improvement overall.

To further improve the early years provision the registered person should:

- maintain a record to include information about when and by whom checks have been completed and ensure the risk assessment includes activities provided and heating (The Early Years Foundation Stage General Welfare requirements – Suitable premises, environment and equipment) 27/01/2012
- undertake a risk assessment of the premises and equipment at least once a calendar year and immediately where the need for an assessment arises. Ensure that all necessary measures are taken to minimise any identified risks. (Suitability and Safety of Premises and Equipment - Childcare register) 27/01/2012
- undertake a risk assessment of the premises and equipment at least once a calendar year and immediately where the need for an assessment arises. Ensure that all necessary measures are taken to minimise any identified risks. (Suitability and Safety of Premises and Equipment - Voluntary Childcare register) 27/01/2012

Overall effectiveness of the improvement and outcomes for children

The action taken to address the welfare requirements issued following the last inspection is satisfactory. A monitoring visit took place on 13 January 2012.

The action taken to implement the improvements required was satisfactory as the welfare requirements have been met or met in part. At the time of the visit we found that the external door has an internal lock as part of the whole locking mechanism. The key has been removed from the outside of the main door for additional security. Staff members monitor the door to facilitate arrival and departure times and ensure parents and visitors are monitored. Satisfactory steps have been taken to ensure the premises are secure promoting children's safety and welfare.

Risk assessments take account of outdoor and indoor spaces. Equipment and toys are not yet assessed to ensure they are safe and suitable for purpose. There is no record to evidence information about when and by whom safety checks have been made. The identification of the potential risks is not sufficiently specific. A further action for improvement has been issued to ensure records are maintained about when and by whom checks have been completed. Procedures have not yet been implemented to ensure potential hazards to children are effectively minimised.

Prior to lunch children now wash hands under running water in the toilet area and all children have a separate towel. For creative activities a communal bowl may be used. However, children have a separate towel or use anti-bacterial gel. Satisfactory improvement has been made to prevent cross-infection and promote children's well-being.

A daily record of the children's hours of attendance is maintained and all children's arrival and departure times are recorded in a diary. There is a record of accidents and first aid treatment that have been completed and signed by parents. All children have a personal day to day book where minor injuries from home or small issues are noted. Written parental permission at the time of the child's admission to the provision, to the seeking of any necessary emergency medical advice or treatment is now to be requested. Current records are being updated. Action has been taken to improve the records kept to promote safe and efficient management of the setting and to meet the needs of the children. Staff members were previously checked by the Local Authority and no evidence of checks completed was retained. A system has now been implemented to request updated Criminal Record Bureau checks for staff to evidence their suitability.

Satisfactory progress has been made, however not all actions for improvement were monitored at this visit because additional time was allocated to meet the related requirements. Another monitoring visit is scheduled to assess them and improvements related to the additional action imposed at this visit.

Next steps

Having considered all the evidence the inspector is of the opinion that at this time:

- The setting has made satisfactory progress in addressing the points for improvement. The next visit will be a further monitoring visit.

I hope that you have found the visit helpful in promoting improvement in your setting. If you have any further queries please contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Susan Gregory HMI
National Director, Inspection Delivery

For the attention of: Compliance, Investigation and Enforcement Team.

Reply slip

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ACTIONS

Please complete the box below to show what you have done in order to meet the action required:

Action Required	Action Taken	Date Completed
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Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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