

# Twan Playscheme

Inspection report for early years provision

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## Introduction

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under Sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of the registered early years provision. 'Early years provision' refers to provision regulated by Ofsted for children from birth to 31 August following their fifth birthday (the early years age group). The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and welfare, known as the *Early Years Foundation Stage*.

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Children only attend this setting before and/or after the school day and/or during the school holidays. The judgements in this report reflect the quality of early years provision offered to children during those periods.

The setting also makes provision for children older than the early years age group which is registered on the voluntary and/or compulsory part(s) of the Childcare Register. This report does not include an evaluation of that provision, but a comment about compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register is included in Annex B.

There were no children on roll when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children on roll, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states if the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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## Description of the setting

Twan playscheme registered in 2003. It is organised by the Tamil Welfare Association of Newham and, subject to funding, runs for four weeks of the school summer holidays. It opens from 10am until 3pm, Monday to Friday. It operates from Kensington Primary School.

The scheme is registered on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. They may care for no more than 25 children from five years to under eight years at any one. Children over eight may also attend. There are currently no children on roll.

## The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The playscheme does not meet several of the requirements of Early Years Register. The manager does not hold an appropriate early years qualification and there none of the staff hold a current first aid certificate. Although, when recruiting staff, management describe how they complete appropriate checks to ensure staff are suitable to work with children. Management demonstrate they have devised a registration form for parents to complete, in order to obtain the information they require to meet children's individual needs and parental preferences. However, the form does not include a request for parental consent to seek medical advice or treatment. Management explain that staff have a basic understanding of their responsibilities to safeguard children's welfare and protect them from harm. However, evidence suggests the safeguarding policy is limited and does not provide staff or parents with clear information about the procedures to follow should they have concerns about a child or a member of staff. Management demonstrate the organisation has developed some operational policies and procedures, such as health and safety, and complaints. However, there is no written policy for managing children's behaviour or procedures to follow in the event of a child going missing or a parent failing to collect a child. As a result of these breaches of statutory requirements, the organisation does not demonstrate an adequate ability to safeguard children's welfare.

Management and staff describe arrangements for ensuring the premises are safe and secure. They refer to using risk assessments to identify potential hazards and conducting daily checks to ensure that appropriate safety measures are put in place. Management explain how staff complete fire drills with the children to enable their understanding of what to do in an emergency to keep themselves safe. Management describe how children's good health will be encouraged through the provision of regular refreshments, exercise and fresh air. Staff explain appropriate strategies to encourage children's positive behaviour and help them feel good about themselves. Evidence suggests staff organise a variety of activities to suit different ages and abilities, rotating these throughout the week to encourage a range of skills. For example, staff plan dance and drama workshops with a performance at the end of the scheme. They also describe activities such as daily arts and crafts, including painting, making bracelets and singing.

Management explain how they borrow resources, such as soft play equipment from the local authority and visit a local park to expand the resources and experiences they offer.

Management explain that they recognise the importance of developing positive relationships with parents and describe how they promote partnership working. For example, staff organise a meeting prior to the scheme opening to share information about how it operates and follow this up with daily discussions. Staff explain how they gather parental feedback at the end of the scheme to inform the evaluation system which helps to identify areas for improvement. Management explain how they recruit staff from the local community, which helps them to assist any parents and children who are learning English as an additional language. They describe how they liaise with other agencies and support workers to support any additional needs. Management explain how they want to offer a service to the community and support staff with training to meet the requirements.

## Compliance with registration requirements

In order to continue to meet the requirements of registration, the registered person must take the following action by the specified date:

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| • ensure that at least one person with a current paediatric first aid certificate is on the premises at all times when children are present. There must also be at least one person on outings who has a current paediatric first aid certificate (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare) (also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register) | 26/10/2012 |
| • request written permission from parents for seeking emergency medical advice or treatment (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare)  | 27/08/2012 |
| • devise an effective behaviour management policy and written procedures to followed in the event of a parent failing to collect a child or a child going missing and share these with parents (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare)   | 27/08/2012 |
| • ensure the manager holds a full and relevant level 3 qualification (Suitable people) (also applies to the compulsory part of the Childcare Register)   | 26/10/2012 |
| • devise an effective safeguarding children policy and procedure and share this with staff and parents (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare) (also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register)  | 27/08/2012 |

## Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are:

Not Met (with actions)

The provider confirms that the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are:

Not Met (with actions)

The registered provider does not meet the requirements of the compulsory and or voluntary part/s of the Childcare Register.

To comply with the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

- take action as specified in the early years section of the report (Welfare of children being cared for) (Qualifications and training) (Arrangements for safeguarding children) 26/10/2012

To comply with the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

- take action as specified in the early years section of the report (Welfare of children being cared for) (Arrangements for safeguarding children). 26/10/2012