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Dear Mr Harjinder Sandhu

Outcome of monitoring visit for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Patricia Ferguson, carried out a monitoring visit of your provision on 15/07/2013. 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 20/05/2013, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

The welfare requirements notice asked you to:

ensure that reasonable steps are taken to promote the safety of children in case of an emergency; this is specifically in relation to providing appropriate safety clothing and equipment to protect children from associated risks, when participating in the barbeque activity

ensure that risk assessments, when related to specific issues, such as the barbeque activity, are adequate to inform staff and to demonstrate how risks are managed

ensure risk assessments identify aspects of the environment that needs to be checked on a regular basis; in particular the outside environment, in relation to the climbing equipment and how many children utilise it at any one time.

We also sent you a notice of actions to improve that asked you to:

ensure all practitioners have a clear understanding about the different ways that children learn and how to teach effectively by, for example, playing and exploring alongside them, and asking them questions with many possible answers

improve the educational programme for personal social and emotional development, for example, by encouraging children to talk about their behaviour and others behaviour and its consequences to allow children more opportunities to take

responsibility for their own and others' safety and help them develop a positive sense of themselves.

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

Overall effectiveness of the improvement and outcomes for children

A monitoring visit was carried out on the 15 July 2013. The setting has worked to meet the actions raised.

The setting has now met the welfare requirement to promote the safety of children by ensuring that appropriate clothing is worn and hair is tied back when children are engaging in activities that carry a high degree of risk such as the barbeque activity. A higher staff ratio of children will also be on hand to ensure the safety of the children making sure that the safety boundary is never breached by the children with an extra member of staff as a 'floater' ensuring a high level of supervision of children during such activities.

Activities that involve fire will be clearly risk assessed by staff before older children in the out of school club are allowed to take part. The fire activity will never be carried out with younger children again. Staff now understand the need to ensure children's safety at all times by ensuring that children taking part in the activity have the opportunity through a safety talk beforehand helping children to understand the benefits and dangers of fire. All outdoor equipment is included on risk assessments which are checked on a daily basis. All risk assessments are spot checked by a senior management team on a weekly basis. All outdoor equipment meets the specified kite mark and is suitable for the appropriate number of children. Staff ensure that all outdoor equipment is properly supervised during children's play times.

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

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