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Our Reference EY308996

Dear Mrs Caroline Natalie Lee

### **Outcome of monitoring visit for provision judged as inadequate**

An Ofsted inspector, Ann Doubleday, carried out a monitoring visit of your provision on 11/10/2013. 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 05/09/2013, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

The welfare requirement notice required you to ensure that staff are deployed effectively to adequately supervise all children, with specific regard to the outdoor area, to ensure risk assessments are clear in assessing any risks to children's safety and coach and mentor staff to understand the importance of risk assessing the premises and equipment and to organise the outdoor area to ensure there is sufficient space for children to play safely.

In addition to the welfare requirements notice you were also issued with a notice of action to improve. This required you to ensure there is a named deputy to take charge in the manager's absence. It also required you to consider the individual needs and stage of development for each child and use this information to plan a range of challenging and enjoyable experiences for each child and monitor their progress and to develop staff members' understanding of how to plan for children's individual needs through regular coaching and monitoring.

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

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

- ensure that risk assessments assess risks that may arise for children and identify the steps to be taken to minimise and manage those risks and hazards

01/11/2013

### **Overall effectiveness of the improvement and outcomes for children**

Since the inspection, the procedure for children accessing outdoor play has changed so that the staffing levels are maintained at an appropriate level and children are better supervised. A new area has been opened up outside to give children more space to play and this area had been identified to be used for children to use wheeled toys. Risk assessments for outdoors have been reviewed and a risk assessment completed for the new outdoor area. A daily check list is now in place and used before children go out to play. This has resulted in most risks being identified and minimised, however, on the day of the visit a shed in the new area had a crack on the side, causing a sharp point to protrude at children's level and posed a hazard. This had not been identified during the check of the area.

The management structure of the nursery has been reviewed and there are clear lines of management in place. Staff undertaking senior roles are aware of their responsibilities when the managers are not present.

The provider has received support from local authority early years staff and has reviewed the way in which planning and assessments are carried out within the nursery. Assessments of children's progress now clearly identify where children are in their learning and this is beginning to be used to plan for children's individual needs. However, some of the group activities planned do not focus on individual learning outcomes.

The provider has made satisfactory improvement and the next visit will be a further monitoring 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:

<b>Action Required</b>	<b>Action Taken</b>	<b>Date Completed</b>
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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