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Dear Sunrise Nurseries Ltd

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Diane Stone, monitored your provision on 11/03/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 28/08/2013, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

This notice required you to:

ensure that all necessary measures are taken to minimise risks to children's safety and review risk assessments regularly. This is with particular regard to sharp corners to the wall in the outside play area, hot water to sinks in children's toilets and child safety gate.

From evidence gathered at the monitoring visit on 11 October 2013 the inspector was satisfied that the setting had taken immediate steps to ensure the welfare requirement notice and notice of action to improve for the Compulsory and Voluntary Childcare Registers, relating to risk assessments and safety in the outdoor area, toilet areas and safety gates, was met. In addition, the notice of action to improve relating to ensuring meals, snacks and drinks are balanced and nutritious was met. However insufficient progress has been made in meeting the remaining notice of actions to improve relating to the learning and development requirements, supervision arrangements for staff, behaviour management and information sharing with parents.

At the monitoring visit on 17 December 2014 the inspector concluded that the setting had taken action to address all welfare requirement notices and notices of actions to improve.

Through documentation used at the setting and through discussion and observation at the monitoring visit on 11 March 2014 the inspector concluded that the setting had maintained the improvements made at the previous visits and had continued to look at ways to improve the outcome for children.

The setting have continued to accept support from the local authority and have been working with them to address all the actions raised at inspection. The improvements made with regard to safety in the children's toilets and outdoor play area, provision of meals, opportunities for children to use their home language, progress charts for two year olds, management of children's behaviour and improving the way information is shared with parents are all in place and have been maintained throughout the monitoring visits.

The management and staff team have worked hard to continue to drive improvements in the way they record their observations of children learning. They continually review their assessment process to see if improvements can be made. They ensure that all children have a number of opportunities to develop skills by offering activities and experiences in a number of ways in order that they can assess how children are progressing in each area of learning. Children are included in the main planning and also in the cosy corner planning so they have opportunities for individual play and small group adult led activities. As a result outcomes for children's learning are good.

The staff team continue to look at how the learning environment can be enhanced, for examples adding a nature table indoors and an area in the outside space to encourage small insects. Children have had opportunities to grow plants in the small outdoor area. This space has been utilised well by planting the plants in plastic milk bottles and hanging them off the railings providing opportunities for children to see things growing while leaving sufficient room for them to play. As a result this area is inviting and interesting for the children to be in.

Staff have continued to benefit from regular supervision and the manager's supervision meetings are now taking place on a regular basis, this helps to ensure that staff remain motivated and have opportunities to discuss their own learning.

The manager has attended behaviour management training which has been cascaded to the staff team. Children behave well, staff manage any unwanted behaviour in a calm manner, encouraging children to take turns and share. There is a wide variety of activities out for children to engage in and staff work with children, getting down to their level to play and join in conversations.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that the setting has taken prompt and effective action to address the points for improvement.

Next steps

The next step will be a full inspection.

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

Nick Hudson National Director, Early Education