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Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Jan Burnet, monitored your provision on 09/04/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 12/12/2013, we sent you a notice to improve. The actions you were set are included at the end of this letter.

During the monitoring visit the inspector discussed with you the steps you have taken to address the actions raised in the notice to improve. She observed you working with children, viewed resources available to children and discussed with you your processes for observing children and assessing their progress. The inspector discussed with you the welfare requirements within the Statutory framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage, specifically with regard to your safeguarding policy and procedures, supervision of children and behaviour management strategies. The inspector looked at children's attendance records and found them to be appropriately maintained.

The inspector found that you have satisfactorily addressed the welfare requirements. Parents and visitors are made aware of your safeguarding procedures with regard to the use of mobile phones and cameras because a notice is clearly displayed at the entrance to your home. In discussion with you about child protection procedures, you identify appropriately what would cause you concern with regard to abuse and neglect. The Coventry Safeguarding Children Board procedures and contact details are displayed on your notice board. You state that children are supervised by yourself or your assistant at all times. You identify appropriate strategies for managing children's behaviour and emphasise the use of positive reinforcement. Children are praised for positive behaviour and a sticker chart is proving very effective.

The inspector found that you have been pro-active with regard to contacting your local authority representative to ask for support immediately after the last inspection. You have welcomed regular support since the inspection and have attended training on safeguarding and behaviour management. You have worked with your representative to improve your practice for observing and assessing children's

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learning, and the planning for next steps in learning is becoming more effective. Information on what children can do has been obtained from parents and you clearly explain how you use guidance documents to track children's progress and look for ideas on how you can plan next learning steps. The inspector found that you have taken some steps to ensure continuity of care for children between home, your provision and any other early years provisions they attend.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that the childminder 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 childminding service. If you have any further queries please contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Lorna Fitzjohn National Director, Childminding

Actions

Action	Due date	Closed date
explain to parents and visitors to the home, the procedure regarding the use of mobile phones and cameras in the setting and improve own knowledge of when to raise a concern about a child's welfare	20/12/2013	09/04/2014
make sure that children are adequately supervised at all times, this specifically refers to ensuring that children are always in sight or hearing and that they are not left in an unattended vehicle	13/12/2013	09/04/2014
implement an behaviour management procedure so that all children are consistently helped to learn about what is acceptable and how to share toys with others	13/12/2013	09/04/2014
develop the educational programmes across the seven areas of learning through carefully planning and purposeful play, in order to provide a challenging and enjoyable experience for all children, and effectively use the information provided by parents regarding children's starting points, to plan for each child in relation to their age and stage of development.	31/12/2013	09/04/2014
ensure appropriate steps are taken to safeguard the children being cared for from abuse or neglect by: developing knowledge of appropriate safeguarding procedures and the possible signs of abuse or neglect (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	19/12/2013	09/04/2014
ensure all required records are kept; this specifically refers to daily record of children's hours of attendance (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	13/12/2013	09/04/2014
ensure all required records are kept; this specifically refers to maintaining an accurate daily record of children's hours of attendance (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	13/12/2013	09/04/2014

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ensure that children's behaviour is 13/12/2013 managed in a suitable manner and that where older and younger children are together, the behaviour of children over the age of eight years does not have a negative effect on the younger children (compulsory part of the Childcare Register).

ensure appropriate steps are taken to 19/12/2013 safeguard the children being cared for from abuse or neglect by: developing knowledge of appropriate safeguarding procedures and the possible signs of abuse or neglect (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)

ensure that children's behaviour is 13/12/2013 managed in a suitable manner and that where older and younger children are together, the behaviour of children over the age of eight years does not have a negative effect on the younger children (voluntary part of the Childcare Register).

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