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Our Reference EY385378

Dear Casterbridge Nurseries Ltd

### **Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate**

An Ofsted inspector, Cheryl Langley, monitored your provision on 14/02/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

### **Outcome of monitoring**

As a result of our inspection on 30/01/2014, we sent you a welfare requirements notice. The actions you were set are included at the end of this letter.

This Welfare Requirement Notice required you to: take all reasonable steps to prevent unauthorised persons entering the premises, and have an agreed procedure for checking the identity of visitors, Early Years Foundation Stage Safeguarding and Welfare Requirement (EYFS) Safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment, Premises W8.1/3.61 and ensure risk assessments are reviewed regularly, that they identify aspects of the environment that need to be checked on a regular basis, when and by whom those aspects will be checked and how the risk will be removed or minimised, EYFS Safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment Risk Assessment W8.1/3.63. These actions were to be met by 13 February 2014.

You were also issued with a Notice to improve which required you to: ensure that observation, assessment and planning for children under three years is focused on the prime areas of learning in order that all children are effectively supported and challenged to make sufficient progress given their age, abilities and starting points, EYFS Learning and Development 2. This action is to be met by 21 March 2014. Two actions were also raised on the Compulsory part of the Childcare register: ensure that no one can enter the premises without the knowledge of a person who is caring for children on the premises (compulsory part of the Childcare Register) CR5 and undertake a risk assessment of the premises and equipment and ensure that all necessary measures are taken to minimise any identified risks (compulsory part of the Childcare Register) CR5. These actions were to be met by 13 February 2014.

At the monitoring visit on 14 February 2014 effective action had been taken to make sure the premises are secure and unauthorised persons cannot enter. This has been achieved by fitting a key code lock to the internal door to the nursery which can only be opened by staff. The manager or her deputy are made aware of any visitors at the front door by a remote ringing device. Parents have been informed of the importance of following stringent procedures to protect their children and keep them safe. Potential hazards in the outside area have been removed and risk assessments have been updated to reflect this. Staff have received advice and training to update their knowledge and understanding of health and safety procedures.

From discussion and documentation staff are working towards meeting the action to be met by 21 March 2014. Training sessions have taken place and staff are being monitored to make sure practice with children under three years of age is focussed on the areas of learning relevant to them and promotes their independence. During the visit staff were attentive and supportive. Children enjoyed socialising at meal times and appeared content. They are developing physical skills which help them move around or feed themselves with confidence. Children are becoming aware of their own needs and how to care for themselves. They were happy taking themselves off to their cosy cots for a sleep. We look forward to spending more time with the staff and children in this age range at the next monitoring visit.

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 further monitoring.

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

## Actions

Action	Due date	Closed date
ensure that no one can enter the premises without the knowledge of a person who is caring for children on the premises (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	13/02/2014	14/02/2014
ensure that observation, assessment and planning for children under three years is focused on the prime areas of learning in order that all children are effectively supported and challenged to make sufficient progress given their age, abilities and starting points.	21/03/2014	14/02/2014
undertake a risk assessment of the premises and equipment and ensure that all necessary measures are taken to minimise any identified risks (compulsory part of the Childcare Register).	13/02/2014	14/02/2014