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Our Reference EY353064

Dear SPL Education Ltd

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

An Ofsted inspector, Heather Morgan, monitored your provision on 06/05/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

### **Outcome of monitoring**

As a result of our inspection on 27/03/2014, we sent you a welfare requirements notice. The actions you were set are included at the end of this letter.

The welfare requirements notice required you to ensure staff are deployed effectively to meet the needs of the children and ensure their safety at all times,

improve supervision arrangements to ensure children are always within sight or hearing,

take steps to ensure the premises are secure so that unauthorised persons are unable to gain entry,

improve risk assessment procedures to help staff identify and minimise all risks to children, with particular regard to the garden and the storage of medication.

It is an offence to fail to meet a welfare requirements notice.

In addition to the welfare requirements notice we sent you a notice to improve that required you to:

ensure staff use appropriate and consistent strategies when dealing with behaviour management issues,

improve planning and assessment arrangements to make sure that children's individual needs, interests and stage of development are fully considered when planning activities, to ensure they are all provided with a challenging and enjoyable

experience in all areas of their learning and development,

implement effective assessment systems which enable staff to monitor children's progress and identify any gaps in their learning, so that appropriate support can be provided,

foster a culture of continuous improvement, for example, by introducing a programme of self-evaluation, which enables effective monitoring of all aspects of the provision for children, includes the views of all staff, parents and children, and identifies key weaknesses and the effects of these on children's care, learning and development.

We carried out a monitoring visit on 6 May 2014 to assess the progress you were making in addressing the actions set for improvement. We judged that you had taken prompt and effective action. We found that you had produced clear guidance regarding roles and responsibilities for all members of staff to ensure they are deployed appropriately to supervise children's play. New fencing has been erected and bolts fitted to external gates to keep the premises secure and prevent unauthorised persons from accessing the nursery. Children have adapted well to newly introduced procedures that involve them asking for badges before leaving the playroom to visit the bathroom or play outdoors, which helps staff to deploy themselves effectively and supervise children's play while keeping them safe.

The management team are in the process of providing supervision sessions for all members of staff in order to identify specific training needs. Training sessions are planned to support staff in managing children's behaviour and observing and assessing children's progress in order to identify gaps in learning and plan ways to support their development. The management team is also engaging with staff and parents to reflect on their practice, to evaluate what they do well and identify areas for development, in order to sustain continuous improvement.

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**

<b>Action</b>	<b>Due date</b>	<b>Closed date</b>
ensure staff use appropriate and consistent strategies when dealing with behaviour management issues	29/05/2014	06/05/2014
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ensure the premises are secure and that children are unable to leave the premises unsupervised (Compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	29/05/2014	06/05/2014
ensure the premises are secure and that children are unable to leave the premises unsupervised (Voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	29/05/2014	06/05/2014
ensure that no one can enter the premises without the knowledge of a person who is caring for children (Compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	28/04/2014	06/05/2014
ensure that no one can enter the premises without the knowledge of a person who is caring for children	29/05/2014	06/05/2014

(Voluntary part of the Childcare Register)

undertake a risk assessment to help ensure that all necessary measures are taken to minimise any identified risks (Compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	29/05/2014	06/05/2014
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undertake a risk assessment to help ensure that all necessary measures are taken to minimise any identified risks (Voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	29/05/2014	06/05/2014
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make sure children's behaviour is managed in a suitable manner (Compulsory part of the Childcare Register).	29/05/2014	06/05/2014
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make sure children's behaviour is managed in a suitable manner (Voluntary part of the Childcare Register).	29/05/2014	06/05/2014
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