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Our Reference 156032

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Jane Wakelen, monitored your provision on 12/06/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 18/02/2014, we sent you a notice to improve. If you were set actions at the inspection, or as a result of our subsequent monitoring or investigations, these are included at the end of this letter unless we have already verified that they have been completed.

During the monitoring visit the inspector discussed with you the steps you had taken to address the actions raised in the notice to improve. She observed the children playing and spoke with you about how you support the children's individual needs. She viewed a range of documentation including your action plan, children's progress records, planning and assessment records and the medication record.

You have developed an effective action plan with support from the Local Authority advisor, to address the actions from the previous inspection. You have implemented and carried out regular observations of children's learning and record these in their individual learning journals. You now use guidance materials to support your evaluation of children's progress to enable you to record next steps in children's learning. You use this information to plan targeted activities to address children's individual needs, enabling children to move forwards in their development. In addition to children's learning journeys, you have received information and a template from the local authority to help you to monitor children's level of development at the age of two. You demonstrate an appropriate knowledge of why this check is completed and intend on including parents' comments towards this summary assessment.

You have reviewed your procedures for administering medication and now support children's well-being by obtaining written permission for medication from the parents. This ensures appropriate procedures are now in place if children are required to attend whilst still on medication.

You have implemented systems to share information with other agencies such as the school. This helps you to support those children that attend your home and other settings. Through this sharing of information, you have implemented activities that provide continuity for the children to extend and embed their learning and understanding.

Since the previous inspection you have now received all suitability checks for all persons living in your home over the age of 16 years. This ensures that children's safety is promoted.

You have welcomed support from your local authority. This has enabled you to evaluate your practice and to grow in confidence to implement procedures to support children's learning and development. You state how you feel more confident about implementing the assessment process to improve outcomes for the children in your care.

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

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