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Our Reference EY273018

Dear Karen Julie Otter

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Kath Harding, monitored your provision on 25/06/2014 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 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 have taken to address the actions raised in the notice to improve. The inspector checked that all required records are held on the premises and available for inspection. She looked at staff files and the Disclosure and Barring Service checks for all staff. She observed staff interactions with the children, looked at planning documents and learning profiles. She spoke with staff and children and looked at the rooms children use.

The inspector found that you have developed a plan of action to address the issues raised at your last inspection and have introduced systems to evaluate the quality of the practice and the impact this has on outcomes for children. You explained that you have received some support from the local authority via email and telephone.

The inspector found that you have taken steps to ensure all required records to support the safe and effective management of the club are accessible and available for inspection. For example, you now ensure that staff files containing staff's qualifications and first-aid certificates are held on site. All staff hold a Disclosure and Barring Service check. This helps to ensure the suitability of adults who have contact with children.

The inspector found that after the last inspection you met with the headteacher and discussed the use of additional space. You explained that the headteacher agreed that children were able to use the area outside the classroom and use the school library, if the school hall was unavailable. You have reviewed your risk assessments, and as a result, Key Stage 1 children eat their snack outside the main classroom area. You explained that you understand the need to continue to monitor the use of the indoor space, so that children can play safely. You explained that the majority of the children attending the club, eat their snack and then play outdoors on the school field or on the adventure playground.

The inspector found that all staff have received in-house training on the use of the newly introduced planning system. You explained that all staff are now aware of how to use the information gained from observations of children to plan enjoyable activities linked to children's next steps in learning. You explained that this planning also takes account of children's interests. You demonstrated how children now know they have to record the area they wish to play in, either indoors or outside. Consequently, staff know where children are at all times. You detailed how children are now able to make independent decisions about their choice of activities and how they have become more actively involved in their play and learning.

The inspector observed the children on the day of the visit to be happy and generally engaged in their play.

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

Actions

Action	Due date	Closed date
ensure that all staff have a Disclosure and Barring Service check in place, to guarantee the suitability of adults who have contact with children	11/04/2014	25/06/2014
ensure the information about qualifications and training of staff is recorded to ensure that the requirements of their role is met	11/04/2014	25/06/2014
ensure all records are readily accessible and kept on site to ensure the safe and efficient management of the setting	11/04/2014	25/06/2014
review the risk assessment to ensure that children's safety is not compromised, for example, by, ensuring that indoor space requirements are fully met	11/04/2014	25/06/2014
develop staff's knowledge of how to use observations, assessments and resources effectively to build on children's interests and skills to encourage independence as they progress.	11/04/2014	25/06/2014
introduce effective systems to ensure any person caring for, or in regular contact with children is suitable to do so, including obtaining an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	11/04/2014	25/06/2014
introduce effective systems to ensure any person caring for, or in regular contact with children is suitable to do so, including obtaining an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check (voluntary part of the Childcare Register).	11/04/2014	25/06/2014