

Our Reference EY276430

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Janet Thouless, monitored your provision on 20/08/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 14/11/2013, 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.

During the monitoring visit the inspector discussed with you the action you have taken to address the issues raised at your last inspection. She looked at a range of documents including a daily record of children's attendance, children's development records and planning documentation. She also looked at the written statement which details the procedure for the protection of children and notifying Ofsted of any allegation of serious harm to a child.

You have developed an action plan to address the issues raised at your last inspection. You explained that you have read the safeguarding and welfare requirements to update your knowledge on the numbers of children you may care for at any one time. You have taken into consideration how you will meet the needs of all children should you exceed the usual ratios. You maintain a daily record of children's attendance which includes their names and times of arrival and collection. This means that children's attendance is recorded accurately which helps to promote their safety. You have strengthened your systems for observation and assessment to ensure you identify children's abilities, individual interests and learning styles. You provide activities offer a wide range of learning opportunities for all age groups of children to help them make progress. Children's development records clearly show how each child is challenged appropriately across all areas of learning. Teaching focuses on individual children's needs and interests and the next steps in their learning. You explained how you support children's learning as they play to develop warm and positive interaction. You have bought a number of new toys to maintain children's interests and offer further challenge. You have attended training courses to improve your knowledge and skills to support children's ongoing development. Arrangements are in place to attend a number of further training courses

demonstrating your commitment to ongoing improvement.

You have implemented a written statement of the procedures you would follow should you have any concerns about a child in your care. You have updated documentation to ensure Ofsted is notified of any such incidents within 14 days as required.

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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