

Our Reference EY343888

Monitoring for provision judged as inadequate

An Ofsted inspector, Jo Rowley, monitored your provision on 01/10/2014 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 09/07/2014, 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.

During the monitoring visit, the inspector talked with you about the steps you had taken to address the actions raised in the notice to improve. She observed a range of adult-led and child-initiated activities, which you and the children were engaged in. The inspector observed children participating in role-play activities, such as preparing and cooking some toy food. The inspector noted that you are planning activities, which challenge the children, to promote their learning and development. Through the observations you now make, you are able to assess where children are in their learning. As a result, you are providing activities that are matched to their age and stage of development.

The inspector observed the opportunities children have to develop their self-care skills, including the putting on and taking off of their shoes and coats before and after outside play. You are aware of the importance, for children, to become independent and through activity planning, you are now organising activities, such as puzzle play, to extend opportunities, which promote this. The inspector looked at the children's learning journeys and was able to see how you are reporting on the progress they are making. In addition to this, you demonstrated through discussion how this information is shared with parents, to ensure that continuity of learning is promoted.

The inspector found that you have extended the toys and resources you have to further support children with English as an additional language. There are now books for children to explore, in their home languages and you have visited the library to further extend this. As a result, your practice is now more inclusive and children are able to use their home language in their play and learning. With positive support

from the local authority you have been able to book a range of training courses in the near future to support and enhance your knowledge and understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

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

Nick Hudson
National Director, Early Education

Actions

Action	Due date	Closed date
ensure that children make good progress in their learning by providing an appropriate balance of child-initiated and adult-led activities that are matched to their ages and stages of learning and development	15/08/2014	01/10/2014
use observations and assessments of individual children to plan interesting and challenging activities to effectively engage them in their learning, in order to support their development	15/08/2014	01/10/2014
develop systems for parents to share information about their children's learning so that continuity of is promoted between home and childminder, including information about children's initial starting points	15/08/2014	01/10/2014
provide opportunities for children to consistently practise self-care skills so that they develop more independence	15/08/2014	01/10/2014
develop knowledge of inclusive practice and linguistic diversity to ensure that children can use their home language in their play and learning.	15/08/2014	01/10/2014