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Our Reference EY340809

Monitoring for provision judged as good

An Ofsted inspector, Ann, Theresa Flynn, monitored your provision on 04/02/2015 following your inspection where the provision was judged to be good.

Outcome of monitoring

As a result of our inspection on 08/01/2015, we sent you a welfare requirements notice. 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.

The welfare requirements notice required you to comply with the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage under the following requirements: Ratios, Child supervision and Risk assessment. The notice to improve required you to comply with the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage under the requirements: General suitable people matters, General information and records matters, Information about the provider, Information about the child and Learning and development.

The steps you were required to take were detailed in full in the notice sent to you on 23 January 2015.

During the monitoring visit of 4 February 2015 the inspector discussed with you the steps you have taken to address the actions raised. The inspector found that you have developed your practice to ensure that any person looking after the children is suitable. You have implemented a recruitment check list which is used as a template in promoting safer recruitment. The inspector looked at your documentation which is organised in an accessible manner and includes all the required details. For example, information about the children is detailed, the record of attendance includes the names of the children being cared for and their hours of attendance. Risk assessments record daily premises checks which includes all areas used for child minding. Action has been taken to minimise hazards including the removal of hazards such as bricks, gates and wood from the rear outdoor yard. The premises indoors have been made safe by the covering of pipes which were hazardous. Therefore the action taken ensures children are kept safe whilst attending the setting.

The inspector found that you have revised your practice to ensure that adult to child

ratios are always maintained. Your practice involves children being taken to school at school arrival and departure times, leaving your co-child minder at the premises with the correct adult to child ratio. Your practice in relation to child supervision has also been revised. Adult deployment around the premises ensures that children are adequately supervised in whichever area of the premises they choose to play. The action taken maintains appropriate ratios and supervision to keep children safe and meet their individual needs.

You discussed how you have obtained support from your local authority to meet the learning and development requirements. Your planning has been improved to include both short term and longer activity plans. This helps in providing a quality learning experience for children. You explained to the inspector how you obtain information from parents about children's starting points when they begin at the setting. You use ongoing observation and assessment to identify children's next steps in their learning and use this information to help them make progress. The inspector observed the children during the visit and found them to be engaged in their play, with a variety of age appropriate activities.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that at this time you have taken prompt and effective action to address the areas for improvement.

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 are adequately supervised to meet their needs and ensure their safety; children must usually be within sight and hearing	03/02/2015	04/02/2015
ensure that the adult:child ratios for childminding laid out in the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage are met at all times	03/02/2015	04/02/2015
take all reasonable steps to ensure that children are not exposed to risks, through a process of risk assessment that demonstrates how risks are managed and identifies how risks will be removed or minimised	03/02/2015	04/02/2015
ensure that all of the required records are accessible and available for inspection	22/01/2015	04/02/2015
keep a daily record of the names of the children being cared for on the premises, their hours of attendance and the name of each child's key person	22/01/2015	04/02/2015
ensure the premises and equipment used for the purposes of the childcare are safe and suitable for that childcare (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	09/01/2015	04/02/2015
ensure the premises and equipment used for the purposes of the childcare are safe and suitable for that childcare (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	09/01/2015	04/02/2015
keep records of the name, home address and date of birth of each child who is looked after on the premises and an accurate daily record of their hours of attendance (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	22/01/2015	04/02/2015
keep records of information for each child, including their full name. date of	22/01/2015	04/02/2015

birth, name and address of every parent and information about who has parental responsibility

take all necessary measures to minimise any risks to the health or safety of the children (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	09/01/2015	04/02/2015
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take all necessary measures to minimise any risks to the health or safety of the children (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	09/01/2015	04/02/2015
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put effective systems in place to ensure that any person caring for children is suitable to work with children, which must include obtaining an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check through Ofsted (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	22/01/2015	04/02/2015
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inform Ofsted of the name, date of birth, address and telephone number of any person aged 16 or over working on the premises with children (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	22/01/2015	04/02/2015
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develop a knowledge of effective teaching methods and an understanding of how children learn and develop in order to provide a quality learning experience for all children	22/01/2015	04/02/2015
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put systems in place to ensure that any person looking after children is suitable to do so, including informing Ofsted of changes to persons aged 16 years or older living or working on the premises, which will allow Ofsted to obtain an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check for them	22/01/2015	04/02/2015
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improve the planning of challenging and enjoyable experiences by gathering sufficient information about children's starting points and from ongoing observation and assessment to identify children's next steps in learning and use this information to help them make progress	22/01/2015	04/02/2015
inform Ofsted of the name, date of birth, address and telephone number of any person aged 16 or over working on the premises with children (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)	22/01/2015	04/02/2015
keep records of the name, home address and date of birth of each child who is looked after on the premises and an accurate daily record of their hours of attendance (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)	22/01/2015	04/02/2015