

## **Compliance action taken for childcare provision**

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### **Summary of outcome**

All early years providers must meet the legal requirements in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage, which you can find at [www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2). If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On 7 December 2023, the provider notified us that a child had gone missing from the forest area within the school grounds. The notification means that the provider met their legal responsibility as set out in the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage to notify Ofsted of a significant event.

On 9 January 2024 we carried out a regulatory telephone call. We found the provider was not meeting some of the requirements and had taken action to put this right. Risk assessment procedures have been reviewed and revised. Staff now take responsibility for designated children when they leave the pre-school building to take them to the forest area. They record the children's presence on a register and complete regular head counts. The provider will be able to give parents further information about this.

We have also issued an action for the provider to take.

Actions needed by 19 January 2024 to:

ensure policies and procedures are followed to safeguard children.

We will monitor the provider's response to ensure the action is successfully completed.

The provider is still registered with Ofsted.

### **Publication of compliance action**

We aim to ensure that the welfare of children and young people is protected in the services we regulate. The Childcare Act 2006 and accompanying regulations set out our responsibilities to regulate childminders and childcare providers. This includes the enforcement powers we have in relation to those registered providers who do not comply with the requirements for registration.

We publish details of any actions we take, or the childminder or childcare provider takes to bring about compliance with requirements on our website for a period of five years.

For further information please read the Early years compliance handbook which can be found here at [www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted).