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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 25/01/2005
Inspector Name Adelaide Griffiths

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Out of School Day Care
Setting Name Beeches Kids Club
Setting Address Beeches Road
Great Barr
Birmingham
West Midlands
B42 2PY

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Mrs Marlene Naomi Nembhard-Riggon

ABOUT THE INSPECTION

The purpose of this inspection is to assure government, parents and the public of the quality and standard of day care. When making judgements, inspectors have regard to how well the provider meets the National Standards for under Eights Day Care and Childminding. A list of these is attached. The report identifies strengths and areas for improvement.

This inspection report must be made available to all parents.

Information about the setting

Beeches Kids Out Of School Club is one of two club run by the provider. It opened in 1999 and operates from a classroom and the main hall in a Junior school. It is situated in Great Barr, Birmingham. A maximum of 40 children may attend the club at any one time. The club is open each weekday from 07:30 to 09:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00 at term time and for 6 weeks during the school holidays. All children share access to a secure enclosed outdoor play area.

There are currently 60 children on roll. Of these 25 are aged 3 to 8 years. Children come from the Infant and Junior School. The club supports a number of children with special educational needs.

The club employs 10 staff. Eight of the staff, including the manager hold appropriate early years qualifications. Two are working towards a qualification.

How good is the Day Care?

Beeches Kids Out Of School Club provides good quality care for children. All aspects of care are well organised with clear routines and good team work which helps children to feel secure and to settle comfortably. Staff provide a welcoming and caring environment with colourful displays of children's work. Space and resources are organised effectively to meet children's individual needs. The setting provides a wide range of toys and equipment in good condition, which promote children's overall development. All documentation is in place, however accidents records do not include parental signatures.

Staff take positive steps to promote safety within the club. All safety measures are in place and children are well protected. Effective health and hygiene procedures encourage children with their personal hygiene. A flexible approach with nutritious meals ensures that parental and children's preferences are respected and their dietary needs are met. The children are given frequent access to drinks. Staff have a positive attitude to caring for all children including those with special needs. Children contribute to decision making in a committee meetings. There is an awareness of child protection issues.

Staff plan arrange of stimulating activities that offer challenge to children. Staff interact very well with the children and their responses help children to feel secure and develop confidence. There is a consistent approach to managing behaviour;

children are aware of boundaries.

Beeches Kids Out Of School club works in partnership with parents and carers. They ensure that there are opportunities for parents to exchange information about their child on a daily basis although there are no records of children's development for sharing with parents.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Not applicable

What is being done well?

- The organisation of the setting with established routine and good team work help children to feel secure and settle comfortably.
- Staff provide a welcoming caring environment with displays of children's work.
- The setting provide a range of resources for stimulating activities that promote development in all areas.
- Staff take positive steps to promote safety and children are protected.
- Effective measures encourage children's personal hygiene.
- Nutrious snacks are offered whilst taking into consideration children preferences.
- All children are included in activities and staff ensure that their individual needs are met.
- Consistent behaviour management strategies ensure that children are aware of boundaries.
- There is good working relationship with parents and agreement about caring for children.

What needs to be improved?

- the inclusion of parental signatures in accident records
- the maintenance of written records of children's development for sharing with parents.

Outcome of the inspection

Good

CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION

All registered persons must comply with all conditions of registration included on his/her certificate of registration.

As a result of this inspection conditions of registration have been imposed / varied / removed and a new certificate of registration will be issued.

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE NEXT?

The Registered Person should have regard to the following recommendations by the time of the next inspection

Std	Recommendation
7	Ensure that accident records include parental signatures.

SUMMARY OF NATIONAL STANDARDS

STANDARD 1 - SUITABLE PERSON

Adults providing day care, looking after children or having unsupervised access to them are suitable to do so.

STANDARD 2 - ORGANISATION

The registered person meets required adult: child ratios, ensures that training and qualifications requirements are met and organises space and resources to meet the children's needs effectively.

STANDARD 3 - CARE, LEARNING AND PLAY

The registered person meets children's individual needs and promotes their welfare. They plan and provide activities and play opportunities to develop children's emotional, physical, social and intellectual capabilities.

STANDARD 4 - PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

The premises are safe, secure and suitable for their purpose. They provide adequate space in an appropriate location, are welcoming to children and offer access to the necessary facilities for a range of activities which promote their development.

STANDARD 5 - EQUIPMENT

Furniture, equipment and toys are provided which are appropriate for their purpose and help to create an accessible and stimulating environment. They are of suitable design and condition, well maintained and conform to safety standards.

STANDARD 6 - SAFETY

The registered person takes positive steps to promote safety within the setting and on outings and ensures proper precautions are taken to prevent accidents.

STANDARD 7 - HEALTH

The registered person promotes the good health of children and takes positive steps to prevent the spread of infection and appropriate measures when they are ill.

STANDARD 8 - FOOD AND DRINK

Children are provided with regular drinks and food in adequate quantities for their needs. Food and drink is properly prepared, nutritious and complies with dietary and religious requirements.

STANDARD 9 - EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

The registered person and staff actively promote equality of opportunity and anti-discriminatory practice for all children.

STANDARD 10 - SPECIAL NEEDS (INCLUDING SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES)

The registered person is aware that some children may have special needs and is

proactive in ensuring that appropriate action can be taken when such a child is identified or admitted to the provision. Steps are taken to promote the welfare and development of the child within the setting in partnership with the parents and other relevant parties.

STANDARD 11 - BEHAVIOUR

Adults caring for children in the provision are able to manage a wide range of children's behaviour in a way which promotes their welfare and development.

STANDARD 12 - WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS AND CARERS

The registered person and staff work in partnership with parents and to meet the needs of the children, both individually and as a group. Information is shared.

STANDARD 13 - CHILD PROTECTION

The registered person complies with local child protection procedures approved by the Area Child Protection Committee and ensures that all adults working and looking after children in the provision are able to put the procedures into practice.

STANDARD 14 - DOCUMENTATION

Records, policies and procedures which are required for the efficient and safe management of the provision, or to promote the welfare, care and learning of children are maintained. Records about individual children are shared with the child's parent.