



Office for Standards
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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 23/04/2003
Inspector Name Caroline Sharratt-Smedley

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Full Day Care
Setting Name Orchard PDN
Setting Address 104 Derby Road
Chellaston
Derby
Derbyshire
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REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name Orchard Day Nurseries Ltd 3704595

ORGANISATION DETAILS

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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

Orchard Private Day Nursery is registered to care for 55 children between the ages of 0 - 3 years. It is held within a converted house in Chellaston which is a suburb of Derby City and serves the local community and commuters. The nursery operates for 52 weeks of the year and only closes on National Bank Holidays. The hours the nursery is open is between 7.20am - 6.00pm, Monday to Friday. There are currently 19 staff employed at the nursery, 17 of whom are child care staff, the majority of these hold a recognised child care qualification. There are currently 104 children on the roll and no children attend with special needs.

How good is the Day Care?

Orchard day nursery provides good care overall for children 0-3 years.

The staff are appropriately placed throughout the nursery and work well as a team. Children benefit from the suitable deployment of staff and the high percentage of qualified staff.

Staff communicate well with the children and the children are happy in the staff's care. Staff provide a good range of age appropriate activities which the children enjoy. The children benefit from the way the nursery space is used and the good quality equipment provided.

The well maintained premises are safe. Staff promote good hygiene awareness. All necessary documentation is kept, and confidentiality maintained.

Staff work to strengthen links between nursery and home. They have good relationships with parents which help them respect the parents wishes. Children are treated as individuals and good behaviour is expected. Children respond well to praise and benefit from staff's understanding of child development. However the management of meal times is a weakness.

What has improved since the last inspection?

Not applicable

What is being done well?

- Staff work well as a team. They support each other across the nursery. The children benefit from the high percentage of qualified staff;
- Children are happy and secure in the staff's care. They benefit from the interesting age appropriate activities provided for them in all areas of the nursery;
- The children benefit from the good use of space and the well maintained safe premises. The equipment provided is of good quality and imaginatively used;
- Children are treated as individuals with their individual needs and routines being provided for. Staff make parents feel welcome and work to develop links between home and nursery;
- Staff expect high standards of age appropriate behaviour from the children. The children respond well to this and to the praise and encouragement given.

What needs to be improved?

- the organisation of snack and meal times.

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
8	develop the organisation of snack and meal times.

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.