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## **Outcome of monitoring visit for provision judged as inadequate**

An Ofsted inspector, Cheryl Langley, carried out a monitoring visit of your provision on 30/03/2010. This visit follows on from your inspection where the provision was judged to be inadequate.

### **Outcome of the visit**

As a result of our inspection on 25/11/2009, we sent you a welfare requirements notice.

In addition to the welfare requirements notice you were also issued a notice to improve.

The welfare requirements notice required you to:  
ensure all practitioners have an up-to-date understanding of safeguarding issues and be able to implement the safeguarding policy and procedure appropriately. Policies should be in line with Local Safeguarding Children Board guidance and procedures;  
ensure people whose suitability has not been checked by Ofsted do not have unsupervised contact with children who are being cared for; and to implement an effective safeguarding policy, which included the procedure to be followed in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff.

The notice of action to improve required you to:  
take necessary steps to safeguard and promote the welfare of children by ensuring welfare requirements of the EYFS are known and met so that children are healthy, safe and secure and have their individual needs met, in effect that changes to policies and work with children now reflects the EYFS and not the National Standards; and to gain knowledge and understanding of the EYFS learning and development requirements so that children are provided with an educational programme that will enable them to make progress towards the early learning goals in all areas of learning.

The visit carried out on 11 January 2010 found that the welfare requirements had been met and that satisfactory progress has been made overall. There is still some



progress to be made in consolidating knowledge and understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage requirements, particularly with regard to the learning and development requirements. As a result, a further monitoring visit will be arranged.

A monitoring visit to assess the knowledge and understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage requirements with particular regard to the learning and development aspect was conducted on 30 March, 2010. During this visit it was found that progress has been made with regard to the learning and development requirements and as a result a full inspection is to be carried out.

Having considered all the evidence, the inspector is of the opinion that at this time the setting is making satisfactory improvement overall.

### **Overall effectiveness of the improvement and outcomes for children**

Staff have begun observing the children to identify their stage of development and are recording this information in Children's Profiles. These observations are clearly linked to the six areas of learning and the next step of each child's learning to ensure they make progress towards the early learning goals.

Staff work together as a team to share ideas and plan activities linked to current themes such as cultural or religious festivals. They have put suitable strategies in place to share good practice and update their knowledge and understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage. For example, a training day has been arranged for the 6 April 2010 for all staff to attend the provision which will not be open to children for this purpose. A key person system has been put in place so that all staff have responsibility for observing and planning for their individual children.

Children were engaged in purposeful play and activities for the majority of the time during the monitoring visit. A range of suitable stimulating resources were to hand and staff interaction encouraged some play, although there were missed opportunities to challenge some of the children.

### **Next steps**

Having considered all the evidence the inspector is of the opinion that at this time:

- The setting has made satisfactory improvement. The next visit will be a full inspection.

I hope that you have found the visit helpful in promoting improvement in your setting. If you have any further queries please contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheila Brown".

Sheila Brown HMI  
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