



Office for Standards
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DAY CARE INSPECTION REPORT

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INSPECTION DETAILS

Inspection Date 15/12/2003
Inspector Name Barbara Law

SETTING DETAILS

Day Care Type Out of School Day Care
Setting Name Oscar
Setting Address Greenhill Primary School
Mile Lane
Bury
Lancashire

REGISTERED PROVIDER DETAILS

Name The Committee of Childcare Management Committee

ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name Childcare Management Committee
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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

Oscar Out of School Care is situated within Greenhill Primary School, Bury and is registered to provide care for 56 children. A Breakfast and After School Club is in place and runs from 08:00 - 09:00 and 15:30 - 17:30 each day during term time and a Holiday Club, registered for 16 children, which operates between 09:00 and 17:30 during school holiday times.

The registered areas are the Pre-School building for Reception and Year 1 children, two classrooms and the hall. They have use of the school yard and field for outdoor activities.

A Management Committee has responsibility for the Club and approximately 75% of the staff hold a relevant qualification.

There are currently 88 children on roll of whom four are identified as having a special need.

How good is the Day Care?

OSCAR Out of School and Holiday Club provides good quality care for children. The rooms in use are well organised to facilitate the different ages and stages of development of the children. Within these staff are deployed to maximise on their skills and experience to best meet the needs of the children. This helps children to feel safe and secure.

The operational plan ensures staff and parents are familiar with the aims of the group and the procedures that are followed.

It provides a bright and airy environment, clean and well maintained, safe for children to play. There are policies and procedures in place to promote health and safety. Staff have a good understanding of these and are able to put them into practice through the daily routines and activities with the children. However, in order to comply with registration requirements, attention must be paid to informing Ofsted of any accident requiring professional medical intervention and the confidential recording of accidents. Staff demonstrate a good understanding of the individual dietary and developmental needs of children.

The club has a wide range of toys and equipment, which include resources promoting equality of opportunity, suitable and appropriate, promoting the learning,

development and well being of the children cared for. Interaction between staff and children is good, staff taking part in the activities on offer, the children able to approach them on any issue that arose. Children are involved in the selection and purchase of toys and equipment.

Good relationships are established with parents, information exchanged and shared on a daily basis. Parents feel valued, welcomed and supported.

What has improved since the last inspection?

At the last inspection actions were raised, these related to policies and procedures to follow in the event of any allegation being made against a member of staff, a child being lost or uncollected and details of the address of the regulator should anyone wish to make a complaint. These have now been addressed and this provides a safer environment for the children.

What is being done well?

- The club organises space and staff well to best meet the needs of the children and provide them with a broad range of play and learning opportunities. This helps children to feel safe and secure.
- The children are well supported by staff and interact socially with each other, presenting as happy, confident and secure.
- The club has developed good relationships with parents. Information about the clubs policies and procedures are available to them and information is shared regularly.
- Parents value the staff team for the reliable and consistent service they offer.

What needs to be improved?

- confidential recordings of accidents
- informing Ofsted of any accident requiring professional medical intervention.

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 all accident recordings are confidential.
7	Ensure Ofsted is informed of any accident requiring professional medical attention.

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.