

Inspection report

Cranley Colinton Nursery Day Care of Children

Paties Road Pavilion
66 Katesmill Road
Edinburgh EH14 1JF

Inspected by: Alison Precup
(Care Commission Officer)

Type of inspection: Unannounced

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Period since last inspection

12 months

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Introduction

Cranley Nursery is one of two nurseries owned by Mr and Mrs McLean.

Cranley Nursery registered with the Care Commission on 1st April 2002 and is registered to care for a maximum of 21 children aged 2 - 5 years, Monday to Friday 8.00 am to 6:00pm.

The nursery is based in a large converted clubhouse on the edge of a playing field on the south side of Edinburgh.

The nursery have access to this football pitch and also to a large enclosed garden at the rear of the building. The nursery itself is a bright, welcoming and attractive facility which comprises of one large playroom, and one smaller playroom with a dining room, kitchen and toilets. There is also a office which doubles up as a staff room.

Basis of Report

This report was written following an unannounced inspection which took place on 25 July 2006

This service was inspected after a Regulation Support Assessment (RSA) was carried out to determine what level of support was necessary. The RSA is an assessment undertaken by the CCO which considers: complaint activity, changes in the provision of the service, natures of notifications made to the Care Commission by the service, action taken upon requirements etc.

This service was required to have a low level of support that resulted in an inspection based on the national inspection themes and any recommendations and requirements from previous inspections, complaints or other regulatory activity.

The key themes for 2006/2007 are as follows:-

Birth to Three Document

Child Protection

Nutrition

Safer Recruitment

Scottish Social Service Council (SSSC) Codes of Practice.

These themes have been reported under the following National Care Standards for Early Education and Child Care up to the age of 16;

3. Health and Well-being

4. Engaging with Children,

12. Confidence in Staff

The Inspection report is also informed by;

Discussion with the manager, staff and children.

Observation,

Review of indoor and outdoor accommodation.

The Annual Return,

8 parents response forms.

Action taken on requirements in last Inspection Report

There were no requirements identified in the last inspection report.

Comments on Self-Evaluation

This document was completed on line

View of Service Users

Due to the age of the children being cared for no views were obtained. However, on the day of the inspection the children appeared happy, occupied, confident and content with the service provided.

View of Carers

Eight parent/carer questionnaires were returned to the Care Commission and these indicated that all parents were satisfaction with the service provided.

Regulations / Principles

Regulation :

Strengths

Areas for Development

National Care Standards

National Care Standard Number 3: Early Education and Childcare up to the age of 16 - Health and Wellbeing

Strengths

Not all aspects of this standard were inspected only those relating to the themes for inspection see basis of report.

A child protection policy was in place and this was on display on the notice boards for parents/carers. In addition, through discussion it was evident that the staff were aware of their responsibilities in relation to child protection and they confirmed that they had a copy of the Edinburgh and Lothian's Child Protection guidelines in place.

Policies were in place for health and safety and infection control. In addition, hygiene routines were observed being carried out and these included encouraging the children to wash their hands before snack and after toileting. The staff advised that children had the opportunity to learn about healthy lifestyles, diet, hygiene and personal safety through the use of books, discussion and games.

The nursery confirmed that a healthy range of snacks for all the children were provided and dietary requirements were taken into account as appropriate. In addition, the nursery had received the 'Nutritional Guidance for Early Years' document and advised that they had taken this into account when devising the snack menu.

The nursery took part in the national tooth brushing scheme and had a copy of the new standards for Nursery and School Tooth brushing Programmes. The nursery had developed a new policy and was carrying out all key tooth brushing practices in line with this document.

Areas for Development

No areas for development were identified at this inspection.

National Care Standard Number 4: Early Education and Childcare up to the age of 16 - Engaging with children

Strengths

Not all aspects of this standard were inspected only those relating to the themes for inspection see basis of report.

The Nursery had a copy of the document 'Birth to 3: supporting our youngest children' in place and advised that this was considered when delivering the service and providing activities with the children.

Areas for Development

The nursery had a copy of the Birth to 3 document but there had been no training provided It is recommended that the nursery management provide staff with appropriate training (see recommendation 1)

National Care Standard Number 12: Early Education and Childcare up to the age of 16 - Confidence in Staff

Strengths

Not all aspects of this standard were inspected only those relating to the themes for inspection see basis of report.

The nursery had a system in place to ensure the safe recruitment of staff and undertook all relevant checks on new staff.

Staff were aware of their responsibilities under the Scottish Services Codes of Practice SSSC.

The management of the nursery were aware of the timescale for registering with the SSSC.

Most staff were appropriately qualified and the rest of the staff were in the process of undertaking relevant qualifications in Childcare and Education.

Areas for Development

An audit of the services safer recruitment policies and procedures has been carried out by the Care Commission resulting in the requirement highlighted in this report.

The recruitment records should evidence that 2 satisfactory references were sought for each person employed. SSI 2002/114 Regulation 9(1) Fitness of employees; SSSC Code of practice – Employer. (See requirement 1)

Area for development:

It is suggested that best practice is followed by introducing a system to recheck Enhanced Disclosure Scotland Checks. National Care Standards, SSSC Codes of Practice – Employer. (See recommendation 2)

Enforcement

There had been no enforcement action taken against this service.

Other Information

None.

Requirements

1. The recruitment records should evidence that 2 satisfactory references were sought for each person employed. SSI 2002/114 Regulation 9(1) Fitness of employees; SSSC Code of practice – Employer.

Recommendations

1. Management of the nursery should provide appropriate training for staff on the Birth to 3 Guidelines. National Care Standards Early education and childcare up to 16 Standard 4 Engaging with children.

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