



Childcare Inspection Report on

Tiny Tots Premier Childcare Services Ltd

**Talybont Cottage
Llanellen Road
Llanfoist
Abergavenny
NP7 9NF**

Mae'r adroddiad hwn hefyd ar gael yn Gymraeg

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Description of the service

Tiny Tots is situated in the village of Llanfoist on the outskirts of Abergavenny. The service has been registered since December 2016 to provide care for a maximum of 29 children under the age of 12 years. The nursery is one of a group of three nurseries owned by Tiny Tots Premier Childcare Services Ltd. The service operates from a converted house arranged over 2 floors with babies cared for on the first floor and toddlers and pre-school on the ground floor. There is a large, secure garden and car park. Tiny Tots operates Monday to Friday from 8.00am – 6.00pm all year round. The responsible individual (RI), Rebecca Sweeting is also the person in charge (PiC) and has responsibility for the day to day running of the service.

Summary

1. Overall assessment

This was a focused inspection which considered children's well-being and some aspects of care and development. The service is well run by the providers who employ suitably qualified and experienced staff. Children at the service are well cared for by staff who know them well and they generally make good progress in line with their age and stage of development. Children benefit from a good range of activities both indoors and outdoors.

2. Improvements

All recommendations made at the previous inspection have been addressed including developing the outdoor space, and listing key allergens on the menu.

3. Requirements and recommendations

There were no areas of non-compliance identified at this inspection.

1. Well-being

Summary

Children are happy, content and enjoy their play opportunities. They interact well with each other and their carers and have opportunities to develop their skills and independence.

Our findings

Children are able to express their views and they are confident to speak up. Some children had emerging language but they communicated their needs to carers through the use of gestures and basic language. We observed children talking happily to the staff and they had free choice in relation to their play. The atmosphere in the nursery was relaxed and informal and children were content and familiar with routines. During observations we noted that they were at ease and content and good relationships with staff were evident. Children are learning valuable skills such as turn taking and are beginning to recognise the importance of sharing and co-operating with others. We observed children under 2 years playing happily alongside each other during a painting activity. Older children showed that they could play with others and share during activities and chatted together during lunch. Children moved between activities, enjoyed playing with each other and their carers and responded well to the kindness and respect they received from staff.

Children are learning self help skills and are becoming independent. During lunch time children were given appropriate cutlery and drinking beakers which enabled them to feed themselves without the need for adult assistance. Children were encouraged to go to the toilet independently and many washed their hands with very few prompts from staff. They used materials such as crayons and brushes during activities and were encouraged to attempt activities independently although staff sat next to them or close by to provide support if required.

2. Care and Development

Summary

There are effective procedures in place to ensure that staff have good information to keep children safe in an inclusive environment. There is an established staff team who are committed to meeting the needs of the children.

Our findings

Staff attended to children's needs and offered them a suitable range of play experiences. We heard them engaging with children during activities and asking them questions such as '*what colour is this?*' They praised children's efforts and accomplishments using phrases such as '*you're getting so clever.*' Comments such as these promote children's self esteem and make them feel valued in the service. During lunch time we saw staff sitting with children, facilitating positive interactions. Children were provided with freshly cooked meals and water to drink. We heard Welsh used during play activities and staff happily participated in activities with the children, which the children appeared to enjoy.

3. Environment

Summary

This was a focused inspection. We did not consider it necessary to look at the environment in any depth on this occasion. This will be considered at the next full inspection. The premises is maintained to a very good standard with rooms located over two floors of the building. The premises is secure and children have sufficient space for play and learning activities and access to a suitable range of resources.

4. Leadership and Management

Summary

This was a focused inspection. We did not consider it necessary to look at leadership and management in any depth on this occasion. This will be considered at the next full inspection.

5. Improvements required and recommended following this inspection

5.1 Areas of non compliance from previous inspections

None

5.2 Recommendations for improvement

We discussed the following good practice recommendations with the PiC:

- Review the use of music, and
- children to have access to drinking water throughout the day which they can help themselves to.

6. How we undertook this inspection

This was a focused inspection. One inspector made one unannounced visit to the service for approximately three hours. As part of the inspection we;

- Observed care practice;
- made a visual check of the premises;
- spoke to staff, and
- considered information available to CIW prior to the inspection.

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7. About the service

Type of care provided	Children's Day Care Full Day Care
Responsible Individual	Rebecca Sweeting
Person in charge	Rebecca Sweeting
Registered maximum number of places	29
Age range of children	0 to 12 years
Opening hours	Monday – Friday 8:00am to 6:00pm All year round
Operating Language of the service	English
Date of previous Care Inspectorate Wales inspection	19 December 2017
Dates of this inspection visit	25 April 2019
Is this a Flying Start service?	No
Is early years education for three and four year olds provided at the service?	No
Does this service provide the Welsh Language active offer?	This is a service that does not provide an 'Active Offer' of the Welsh language. It does not anticipate, identify or meet the Welsh language needs of people/children who use the service. This is because the service is situated in a primarily English speaking area. However, we recommend that the service provider considers the Welsh Government's 'More Than Just words' strategic guidance for Welsh language in social care.
Additional Information: None	

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