



Childcare Inspection Report on

Dewi Sant

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Newport
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Mae'r adroddiad hwn hefyd ar gael yn Gymraeg

This report is also available in Welsh



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Description of the service

Dewi Sant provides sessional care for children aged between two and four years of age and is registered with Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) to care for up to 30 children under the age of 12 years. The service operates a morning session from 9.10am to 11.40pm, and an afternoon session 12:30 to 15:00 during term time only. The Committee have nominated a Responsible Individual (RI) to act on its behalf, and a Person in Charge (PiC) runs the service on a day to day basis. It is an English speaking service with Welsh introduced through play. The service is a registered education provider and also subject to inspection by Estyn.

Summary

1. Overall assessment

This was a focused inspection that only looked at the well-being and care and development themes. Children at the service are happy, settled and suitably engaged in a good range of age appropriate activities. They are cared for by staff who offer warm, responsive care. The environment is clean, welcoming and well resourced.

2. Improvements

Recommendations made at the last inspection will be considered at the next full inspection.

3. Requirements and recommendations

We did not identify any areas of non-compliance at this inspection.

1. Well-being

Summary

This was a focused inspection and we did not fully consider this theme. This will be looked at in detail during the next inspection. However, we found that children are happy and settled at the service. They are confident to approach staff and make their needs known. Children's views are respected and they enjoy taking part in a good range of activities that support their all-round development.

Our findings

Children are confident to express themselves because they know they will be listened to. We saw that children were able to make decisions about what they wanted to do for example, to play outside or indoors, and were able to follow their interests and access resources independently. Some children speak up with confidence, making their needs known to practitioners and asking questions.

Throughout our visit we saw that children are shown lots of attention and receive smiles, praise and words of encouragement from staff. They approached staff confidently and were comfortable to seek extra support if they needed reassurance or assistance. All children have their own coat pegs with their name which provides them with a sense of belonging.

Children interact well and are forming positive relationships. Children played happily together or alongside each other depending on their age and stage of development. There was a good range of free choice activities and children welcomed staff joining in to play with them. Children have regular access to the outdoor play area for physical activity.

Children are developing their independence whilst being supported appropriately by staff. Resources are thoughtfully placed and very well labelled so they can easily find what they need. They can help themselves to tissues, wash their hands easily before snack and are encouraged to tidy up afterwards.

2. Care and Development

Summary

This was a focused inspection and we did not fully consider this theme. This will be looked at in detail during the next inspection. However, we found that children are cared for by suitably qualified and experienced staff. They are conscientious in their role to keep children safe and healthy and have good knowledge of child development. Staff manage interactions well and there are consistent expectations of behaviour. Following a recent incident at the service, systems for children's collection at the end of sessions have been amended to further ensure children's safety.

3. Environment

Summary

This was a focused inspection, we have not considered this theme (in full) and therefore we have not issued or revised any ratings awarded previously

4. Leadership and Management

Summary

This was a focused inspection, we have not considered this theme (in full) and therefore we have not issued or revised any ratings awarded previously

5. Improvements required and recommended following this inspection

5.1 Areas of non compliance from previous inspections

None

5.2 Recommendations for improvement

No recommendations were made at this inspection.

6. How we undertook this inspection

CIW undertook a focused inspection of the service to consider information shared with us through our concerns process. One inspector made one unannounced visit to the service. As part of this inspection we;

- Considered information available to CIW;
- made a visual check of the premises;
- observed care practice;
- looked at some documentation, and
- spoke with the PiC.

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www.careinspectorate.wales

7. About the service

Type of care provided	Children's Day Care Sessional Day Care
Responsible Individual	Gayle Samuel
Person in charge	Sarah Townsend
Registered maximum number of places	30
Age range of children	2 – 4 years
Opening hours	09:10 – 11:40 and 12:30 – 15:00 Weekdays during term time
Operating Language of the service	English
Date of previous Care Inspectorate Wales inspection	4 July 2019
Dates of this inspection visit	13 September 2019
Is this a Flying Start service?	Yes
Is early years education for three and four year olds provided at the service?	Yes
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, or intend to use their service. The service is located in a predominately English speaking community. We recommend that the service provider considers Welsh Government's "More Than just Words follow on strategic guidance for Welsh language in social care."
Additional Information: None	

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