

Newton Park Primary Nursery Day Care of Children

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About the service

Newton Park Primary Nursery is registered to provide a service to a maximum of 60 children, aged from three years to those not yet attending primary school. The nursery is operated by The Highland Council. The head teacher is the registered manager of the nursery. The nursery operates term time only.

The nursery is located within Newton Park Primary School in Wick, Caithness. It has its own separate entrance. The nursery premises consists of three playrooms, reception area, kitchen and toilets. There is an enclosed outdoor play area, which contains a range of loose parts and open ended resources which extend and enrich the children's imaginative play and learning experiences.

About the inspection

This was an unannounced follow up inspection which took place on Friday 13 December 2024. The inspection was carried out by one inspector from the Care Inspectorate.

To prepare for the inspection we reviewed information about this service. This included, previous inspection findings, registration information, information submitted by the service and intelligence gathered since the last inspection.

In making our evaluations of the service we:

- spoke with staff and management
- observed practice and daily life
- reviewed documents.

Key messages

The leadership team had reviewed their safeguarding and child protection procedures since the last inspection. Effective procedures were now in place which ensured children were protected and safeguarded from harm.

What the service has done to meet any requirements we made at or since the last inspection

Requirements

Requirement 1

By 4 September 2024, the provider must ensure that children are protected from harm.

The provider must ensure that:

- a) Child protection procedures are implemented in accordance with national guidance.
- b) All staff have a good understanding of child protection and are clear on their roles and responsibilities.
- c) Child protection referrals are made to lead agencies within appropriate timescales.
- d) The service is effectively managed by ensuring the required notifications are made to the Care Inspectorate in line with guidance.

This is to comply with Regulation 4(1)(a) (Welfare of users) of the Social Care and Social Work and Improvement Scotland (Requirements for Care Services) Regulation 2011 (SSI 2011/2010).

This is to ensure that care and support is consistent with the Health and Social Care Standards (HSCS), which state that: 'I am protected from harm, neglect, abuse, bullying and exploitation by people who have a clear understanding of their responsibilities' (HSCS 3.20).

This requirement was made on 6 September 2024.

Action taken on previous requirement

Since the last inspection the leadership team had reviewed and made necessary changes to the setting's safeguarding and child protection procedures. These had been implemented in accordance with national guidance and ensured children were safe and protected from harm.

Staff had undertaken child protection training and were offered support from the leadership team in relation to recording wellbeing concerns. As a result, they were clear on their roles and responsibilities in relation to child protection and safeguarding.

Protection referrals were being made to lead agencies within appropriate timescales and relevant notifications were being made to the Care Inspectorate in line with guidance.

Met - within timescales

Complaints

There have been no complaints upheld since the last inspection. Details of any older upheld complaints are published at www.careinspectorate.com.

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