

Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Monitoring Inspection

Pursuant to section 21 of the *Early Childhood Services Act*, operators of licensed early learning and childcare facilities must post their most recent inspection report in a clearly visible and prominent place in the facility.

Name of operator The Preschool Centre Inc.	Licence Number 2007294	Inspection Date July 27, 2022
Facility Name The Preschool Centre on Main St 1		Telephone Number (506) 458-8980
Address 115 Main Street Fredericton NB E3A 1C6		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Megan Munden		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
48(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall serve (c) drinking water throughout the day. Comments: Please ensure children have access to their water bottles in the outdoor play space.	48(1)(c)	Jul 27, 2022	
49(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that the guidance of the children receiving services at the licensed facility is positive and includes positive reinforcement, encouraging efforts and recognizing accomplishments. Comments: Please see general comments.	49(1)	Jul 27, 2022	

<p>General Comments</p> <p>On the morning of the monitoring visit, all groups of infants and toddlers were outdoors. The infants had gone for a walk and the junior two's were in the outdoor play space.</p> <p>It was noted that all water bottles are not labelled with the children's names. Please ensure that they are labelled to ensure the correct bottle is used for each child. The junior two's also did not have access to their water while I was observing their outdoor play. Children must have access to drinking water throughout the day, especially in the heat. Please also ensure that the tub used to hold the children's water bottles is kept clean and wiped down inside.</p> <p>The junior and senior babies did have access to their water bottles and the educators had all the infants sit to have a water break during their play.</p> <p>During observations, an educator had a child sit on a bench because he had gotten into the water after she had asked him not too. The child was left to sit alone until the educator felt that he could rejoin the group. This same technique was also used when a child was attempting to climb up the slide when the educator said, "Do you need to go sit on your bum for a minute?" Please ensure that all child guidance is positive and time outs are not used. All other child guidance observed was positive and educators were patient, engaged and provided choices.</p> <p>The outdoor play space had a large variety of materials for the children to access- balls, trucks, shovels, ride on toys. There are many places to sit and different shaded spots.</p>

General Comments

I did notice in the main play area that the mud kitchen has two plastic tubs that are cracked and bent which makes it so they cannot be removed to have the standing water removed. Please discard these and if you choose to, add new ones.

There has been a new deck built around the previous stationary wooden castle. A change in service must be submitted to indicate that a change to the outdoor play space has been added. A Public Health Inspection may or may not be required due to the size of the structure and the hose attached to offer water down the slide.

Lunch today was pancakes, fruit, and whipped cream. I observed the educators sitting with the senior babies and encouraged lots of positive table manners and discussions.

original signed by
Megan Munden

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

July 27, 2022

Date

original signed by
Jennifer Wilson

Signature of Operator/Designate

July 27, 2022

Date