

Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Renewal 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 2007296	Inspection Date January 18, 2023
Facility Name The Preschool Centre on Main St 2		Telephone Number (506) 458-8980
Address 115 Main Street Fredericton NB E3A 1C6		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Sabrina Diotte		Position Title Inspector

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
22 The daily routine of a licensed facility shall include (a) outdoor play for at least one hour in each four-hour block of time when the majority of children receiving services are in attendance except in the following circumstances: (i) the wind chill is below -20 °C; (ii) the temperature is below -20 °C; or (iii) the temperature is 33 °C with humidity or above.	22(a)	Jan 19, 2023	
Comments: Two classrooms did not go outside in the morning. When I asked the educators about their outdoor schedule, they mentioned they don't always go outside twice per day (once every four-hour block) and the reason is not due to weather but due to schedule and programming. As per regulation, weather permitting, children must go outside minimum one hour per four-hour block. This would account for once in the morning and once in the afternoon.			
39(2) A licensed facility shall have a separate locked storage space that is inaccessible to the children for each of the following: (a) toxic products, chemical products and cleaning supplies;	39(2)(a)	Jan 18, 2023	Jan 18, 2023
Comments: The 4's classroom closet was unlocked with toxic products inside. Toxic products must be locked at all times. The closet was locked afterwards.			

<p>General Comments</p> <p>Upon my arrival the children were getting ready for snack. Snack today was English muffin and apples. After snack, each group was engaged in something different. One classroom did an invitation for play with wood, dinosaurs, moss and other loose parts. Another group did a snowflake craft. All groups were observed dancing and singing, some were practicing the days of the week, counting and spelling.</p> <p>Positive child guidance was observed in all classrooms such as positive reinforcement and gentle reminders when children were sitting and eating snack. Encouragements were also observed when children were practicing the days of the week and numbers.</p> <p>Educators were observed engaged with the children in play and in conversation, talking about their day yesterday, what they had for dinner or fun things they did at home the night before. Some educators were also observed consoling children when needed.</p> <p>The Educators were also observed encouraging and working with the children on toilet training. During snack time, some educators were observed sitting at the table with the children and engaged in</p>

General Comments

conversation with them.

Children's artwork and learning stories are posted throughout the Centre.

The bathroom on the main floor has a training seat that is soiled with dirt and urine. As per Public Health, training seats should be cleaned and disinfected after each use.

I would recommend that the daily schedule and routine for the 4's group be revisited. There was allot of circle time, sitting and signing today and the children did not go outside in the morning. Too many restricting activities such as sitting and circle time for this age group could be challenging for them and that was observed today as the children often needed to be redirected, reminded to sit or to come back to the circle. In the same classroom, I would also recommend that some help be given to the staff when lunch needs preparation as there was only one staff to cut and prepare over 17 plates of food and the children were becoming restless and hungry. In the same classroom, I would also recommend that some type of protective surfacing is added under the cabinet/along the edge as the children play under the cabinet (reading area) and hit their heads when they stand up. Today one child stood up and hit his head and needed to be given an ice pack.

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Sabrina Diotte

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

January 18, 2023

Date

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Angie Degrace

Signature of Operator/Designate

January 18, 2023

Date