

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 Jill Walker		Inspection Date April 09, 2026	
Facility Name Bluebell Montessori		Licence Number 2018194	
Address 177 Argyle St Fredericton NB E3B 1T6		Telephone Number (506) 471-4979	
Type of Facility Full-time Early Learning and Childcare Centre	Maximum Number of Children 27	Ages of Children PRESCHOOL SCHOOL-AGE	
ELCC Licensing Staff Susan Dickeson	Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor		

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
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<p>General Comments</p> <p>On the day of my visit the children were divided into smaller and larger groups however they circulated through the center based on the activities that they wished to engage in. They were very calm and self-directed and their teachers helped them to choose which "work" that they wished to engage in. Their work or play was treated seriously, in keeping with the Montessori philosophy that this center follows. The educators modelled self-regulation, calmness, kindness and used calm voices and patient techniques for teaching the children individual and social responsibility.</p> <p>After an activity was completed, the children tidied the room and helped move the tables and chairs for a larger circle time. All transitions were completed in a calm and ordered manner, and children took responsibility for their belongings and emotions. Any disagreements or big feelings were discussed, and the group spaces were shared fairly, either by discussion between children themselves, or with the help of their educators.</p> <p>Snack was open and set up in the smaller room. The children bring all their food from home however they can eat when they want but they all know to wash their hands first and only 3 children at a time can sit at the tables reserved for snacking. All the rules of how things were done were followed and everyone helped each other be compliant as in one child helping another child who kept taking off his inside shoes find them and put them back on.</p> <p>The rooms are beautifully decorated and set up with very specific learning sections, such as tables set up for picture journaling, counting, measuring and one child showed me a pendant that he had made with beads, yarn and cutout paper. The picture journals were very beautiful with colourful pictures and print at the bottom to describe the events that were pictured.</p> <p>The children dressed themselves and went outside for outdoor play. The outdoor play area is fenced and contains multiple sections for a variety of play, mostly done with natural materials. They have a wooden structure with a slide, another that looks like a pirate ship, large tires that they can move and build structures with, a storage shed, a playhouse and mud kitchen along with rakes and shovels and climbing stumps, and planters etc.</p>

General Comments

After outside play everyone went in and had lunch. There was lots of interesting conversation and engagement between the educators and the children, and lunch time was pleasant and calm. The afternoon repeats the same programming as the morning with self-directed/constructed activities chosen by the children and outside play, and a circle and grace and courtesy time as well as stretching.

All the records and files were organized and up to date. The center is clean, organized and well maintained as well as aesthetically pleasing in its choice of art, furnishings, materials and calming colours. Fire drills are done monthly, outdoor play area inspected monthly and first aid kits and attendance were up to date.

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Susan Dickeson

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

April 09, 2026

Date

original signed by
Jill Walker

Signature of Operator/Designated staff

April 09, 2026

Date

"I hereby acknowledge receipt of this report"