



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 Holly MacDonald	Licence Number 2011154	Inspection Date July 31, 2023	
Facility Name Birchwood Preschool		Telephone Number (506) 206-4455	
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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

General Comments

Upon licensing staff's arrival, the children were coloring and using stickers. The children were interested in creating small books, so the operator stapled the papers, so each child had a small book to color in.

Recent documentation was posted in the indoor space. There was a web on chart paper titled, "Our New Backyard."
A bird nest was discovered under the deck and the operator took photos of the different stages of the eggs, baby birds and empty nest."

The transition to outdoors was smooth. All children had time to use the washroom and had sunscreen applied.

The outdoor space has been transformed and now has a section in the back with crushed rock. There is an abundance of shade in both the back section and underneath the deck. A tree has a mailbox with books and a small bench. This is the "Reading Tree."

The operator prepared the spaces for the children- added water to the water tables and bubbles. She took out balls and children also had access to many scoops, shovels, buckets for sand play and cars for the water table.

After playing outside for some time, the operator ensured children all had a drink of water. She added playdough to the picnic table for an additional activity outdoors.

Child guidance remained positive and encouraging throughout the inspection. The operator helped the children but also encouraged independence. She played along with the imaginative play when they were making birthday cakes in the sandbox and got the children small twigs to use as candles. She also read stories to the children and played playdough with them.

original signed by
Megan Munden

July 31, 2023

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

original signed by
Holly MacDonald

July 31, 2023

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date