



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 Mother's Care Education Centre Inc.	Licence Number 2018829	Inspection Date March 26, 2024
Facility Name Preschool in the Park		Telephone Number (506) 454-7235
Address Unit 200 30 Knowledge Park Drive Fredericton NB E3C 2R2		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Joanne Voyer Page		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
28(3) The premises of a licensed facility shall comply with (a) lighting, ventilation and other general health standards under the Public Health Act.	28(3)(a)	Mar 27, 2024	
Comments: The licensing inspector observed the soft furnishings in one of the classrooms either need to be repaired, or discarded as a couple of the chairs would be difficult to clean and sanitize as they are torn on the corners. Also, the battery-operated lights located in one of the bathrooms need new batteries and this makes it difficult for children and staff to see for changing diapers, accessing creams, diapers and/or accessing the toilets.			

General Comments

Licensing staff observed all children in the outdoor play area. Children were observed dressed appropriately for outdoors - wearing mitts, warm jackets, ski pants and boots. Children were observed taking turns sliding on a big slide and also a smaller one. Children were being appropriately supervised during this activity. Children were also observed playing inside the playhouse, playing with the big tonka toys and shoveling snow in the dump trucks, pulling toys, climbing, running, and testing their skills climbing onto and balancing themselves on the big tires and jumping onto the snow. Some educators were observed engaged with children - tossing the ball back and forth, helping a child when the small slide tipped over and walking with children back to the centre after play. All educators need to engage and spend time interacting with children and move about the outdoor play space rather than not interact (really supervise). Licensing staff recommends the implements to the mud kitchen be available every day to give children other activities when playing outdoors. Licensing staff recommends that educators take care to observe when a child needs their runny noses wiped with a kleenex. A few educators followed the children's lead when they began showing signs of being tired (crying). Licensing staff observed the educators gathering up the babies to return indoors.

All children were observed coming inside at different times to allow each class to have bathroom breaks and wash hands before sitting down to eat lunch. All children with exception of older preschool age children were observed having a rest period. Educators were observed sitting and rubbing children's backs to help them settle.

Administrative records were reviewed, and attendance is tracked for children and educators, daily infant forms are recorded, fire drills are practiced and recorded, outdoor check list is being maintained, incident reports are being documented and signed by the parent, potential illness forms are tracked, and a few staff files were reviewed and all in order.

General Comments

Please read comment above regarding the soft furniture in the 3-year-old room. Licensing staff did discuss with the Owner regarding parent committee meetings. All staff on track for PL hours. After discussion with the owner, licensing staff understands the educator will be enrolling in PL opportunities for outdoor play. This will be great to give staff ideas on how to support and interact with children when outside.

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Joanne Voye Page

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

March 26, 2024

Date

original signed by
Suzanne Wood

Signature of Operator/Designate

March 26, 2024

Date