

APPENDIX 1

Summary of numbers of recommendations and requirements made to providers.

Provider	Number of Recommendations	Number of Requirements
Findochty Primary School Nursery, Findochty	2	0
New Elgin Primary School Nursery, New Elgin	1	0
Lhanbryde Primary School Nursery, Lhanbryde	4	0
Dyke Pre-school, Dyke	0	0
Building Blocks, Buckie	0	0
Portknockie Nursery, Portknockie	0	0

Details of gradings, recommendations and requirements made to providers.

Findochty Primary School Nursery, Findochty

Gradings

Quality of Care and Support	4	Good
Quality of Environment	3	Adequate
Quality of Staffing	4	Good
Quality of Management and Leadership	3	Adequate

Recommendations

- Children should be able to enjoy an environment that has a wealth of interesting opportunities and encourages them to be imaginative, inventive and creative. This could be achieved through:
 - a) play areas that are well thought out and organised to promote greater choice
 - b) a wider variety of resources/play equipment, that include real and natural and scrap materials both indoors and outdoors
 - c) a flexible approach to outdoor learning that promotes a risk benefit approach and challenging play.
- The head teacher should continue to consolidate and embed the system of self-evaluation so that it is continuous and collates the views of all those involved, leading to improved outcomes for children.

Requirements

- None

New Elgin Primary School Nursery, New Elgin

Gradings

Quality of Care and Support	5	Very Good
Quality of Environment	N/A	
Quality of Staffing	N/A	
Quality of Management and Leadership	3	Adequate

(N/A – Not Assessed)

Recommendations

- New Elgin primary school nursery should develop and implement a monitoring process that ensures that all staff are registered with the appropriate regulatory body within the required timescales.

Requirements

- None

Lhanbryde Primary School Nursery, Lhanbryde

Gradings

Quality of Care and Support	4	Good
Quality of Environment	3	Adequate
Quality of Staffing	4	Good
Quality of Management and Leadership	4	Good

(N/A – Not Assessed)

Recommendations

- Management should update administration, recording of medication procedures in line with the current health guidance on the 'Management of Medication in Daycare and Childminding Services'.
- Management to develop the personal plans in place for every child, monitoring and linking next steps to planning to ensure health, welfare and safety needs are met and tracked.
- We recommend that the service increase the knowledge and understanding of staff regarding best practice guidance in early learning and childcare. This will support them to implement these approaches in the service.
Consideration could be given to:
 - Developing child led planning approaches.
 - Developing a rich and enabling play environment.
 - Increasing children's levels of independence and leadership of learning.
 - Promoting opportunities to reflect and evaluate on current practice.
 - Identifying areas for improvement in a meaningful way.
 - Developing improvement plans to effect change quickly and efficiently.
- We recommend that the service develop shared leadership roles for staff to increase the pace of change and improvement. This will ensure children have access to high quality experiences quickly and consistently.
Areas which could be covered are:
 - Attachment led practice and the theory behind this.
 - Outdoor learning, including use of the local community.
 - Loose parts play.
 - Risky play opportunities and its benefits.
 - Enabling play environments for challenging experiences.Other areas may be identified through the improvement planning process and these would also give rise to areas for shared leadership. In addition, progress in leadership roles should be closely monitored through the quality assurance processed in the service

to measure the impact on outcomes for children.

Requirements

- None

Building Blocks, Buckie

Gradings

Quality of Care and Support	4	Good
Quality of Environment	4	Good
Quality of Staffing	4	Good
Quality of Management and Leadership	4	Good

Recommendations

- None

Requirements

- None

Dyke Pre-school Centre, Dyke

Gradings

Quality of Care and Support	4	Good
Quality of Environment	4	Good
Quality of Staffing	4	Good
Quality of Management and Leadership	4	Good

Recommendations

- None

Requirements

- None

Portknockie Nursery, Portknockie

Gradings

Quality of Care and Support	5	Very Good
Quality of Environment	4	Good
Quality of Staffing	N/A	
Quality of Management and Leadership	N/A	

Recommendations

- None

Requirements

- None