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Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage.

To be used from September 2014.

This publication was updated in March 2014.

The framework sets the standards that all early years providers must meet to ensure that children learn and develop well, are kept healthy and safe and have the knowledge and skills they need to start school.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2>

Are you Ready? – Good Practice in school readiness

Ref :140074

This document was published in April 2014.

Between 23 September 2013 and 15 December 2013, Ofsted Inspectors conducted survey visits to 43 different settings, 23 pre-schools, children's centres and childminders and 20 infant and primary schools within the Early Years Foundation Stage. All of the settings visited were located in areas with high levels of deprivation. The aim of this survey was to capture how the most successful early years providers ensure disadvantaged and vulnerable children are better prepared to start school.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/are-you-ready-good-practice-school-readiness>

Memorandum of Understanding between Ofsted and the Food Standards Agency

This document was updated in March 2014

The Food Standards Agency (FSA) and Ofsted have agreed new arrangements for the sharing of information about registered childminders. This means that childminders no longer have to register separately as a food business operator with their local authority.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/memorandum-of-understanding-between-ofsted-and-food-standards-agency-fsa>

Letter from HMI to early years inspectors

Ref: 20140005

This document was published in March 2014.

This letter was sent to all early years inspectors from Sir Michael Wilshaw, Her Majesty's Chief Inspector. The letter outlines how inspectors should report on the effectiveness of teaching and assessment in early years provision.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/letter-hmci-early-years-inspectors-march-2014>

Guide to registration on the Early Years Register

Ref: 140063

This document was updated in March 2014.

This guidance replaces: Guide to registration on the Early Years Register: childcare provider on domestic or non-domestic premises and the Guide to registration on the Early Years Register: childminder.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/guide-registration-early-years-register>

Inspecting registered providers with no children on roll or no children present at time of inspection

Ref: 080173

This document was updated in March 2014.

The aim of this guidance is to assist inspectors when carrying out an inspection of providers registered on the Early Years Register when there are no children on roll or no children present at the time of the inspection visit.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/inspecting-registered-providers-no-children-roll-or-no-children-present-time-of-inspection>

Factsheet; childcare – the next steps when a provider is judged inadequate or not complying with requirements

Ref: 120233

This document was updated in January 2014.

This factsheet explains what happens next when: provision on the Early Years Register is judged to be inadequate or provision on the Childcare Register does not meet the requirements of the registration.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/factsheet-childcare-next-steps-when-provider-judged-inadequate-or-not-complying-requirements>

Monitoring visits for early years provision judged as inadequate

Ref: 090254

This document was updated in January 2014.

This guidance explains how inspectors will monitor providers who are registered on the Early Years Register and who are judged inadequate at inspection. It has been updated to reflect changes to the way Ofsted monitors inadequate providers introduced with the revised Framework for the regulation of provision on the Early Years Register in November 2013. The guidance summarises the main activities inspectors need to undertake before, during and after a monitoring visit. It guides inspectors on the judgement to be made and reporting on outcomes from the visit.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/monitoring-visits-for-early-years-provision-judged-inadequate>