

# TUSLA PRE- REGISTRATION REGULATORY INSPECTION REPORT

## Inspection Due to a Proposed Change of Circumstances



**Krafty Tusla I.D:** TU2021CN001

**Name of Service** Krafty Kids Daisyhill

**Address of Service:** Daisyhill, Annagh, Ballyconnell, Co. Cavan H14HD53

**Email Address:** playtime16@gmail.com

**Name of Registered Provider:** Ciaran McManus

<b>Type of Proposed Service:</b>	<b>Full Day Care</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Part-Time</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Sessional</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	<b>Drop-In</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Childminding</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Temporary</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Proposed change:** Change in Number of Children from 20 to 60 children, addition of 2 preschool rooms.  
Change in Number of Staff from 4 to 12 staff

**Proposed Number of Children:** 60 children

**Recommended Change Following Inspection:** Change in Number of Children from 20 to 54 (Max 49 Full Day/Part-Time) children.

**Registered change:** Change in Number of Children from 20 to 54 (Max 49 Full Day/Part-Time) children.  
Change in Number of Staff from 4 to 12 staff

**Date of Inspection:** 2 0 0 9 2 0 2 4

**Inspection undertaken by:** S. Skinnader

**Title:** Early Years Inspector

**Tusla Early Years Inspectorate Address:** No.18 The Grange, Plantation Walk, Monaghan

**Rationale for Inspection:**  
Proposed Change of Circumstance

**Note: For Office use only, to be completed by Registration Office**

<b>Registration Status:</b>	Registered Full Day, Part-Time & Sessional Service for 54 (Max 49 Full Day/Part-Time) children
<b>Date of Registration</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> October 2024

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### Authority to Inspect

The Tusla Early Years Inspectorate carries out inspections of Early Years Services under Section 58(D) of the Child Care Act 1991 (as inserted by Section 92 of the Child and Family Agency Act 2013).

<b>Description of Service</b>	It is proposed that Krafty Kidz Daisyhill will extend their community run full day care service providing sessional, part-time and full day care childcare. It proposes to increase the number of children it will cater for from 20 to 60 pre-school children aged between 2 - 6 years of age. The service will operate from 7.45am – 17.45pm and will participate in the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) scheme each weekday Monday – Friday.
<b>Premises</b>	This service will operate from a converted 2 story dwelling in the town of Ballyconnell Co. Cavan. There are 2 new preschool rooms with kitchenette areas, a staff toilet, sanitary accommodations, nappy changing facilities, a small kitchen area, utility room and 2 offices. There is an enclosed outdoor area to the side of the current premises and garden/grass areas to the rear of the building. There is parking available outside the premises for drop offs and pickups.
<b>Staffing</b>	It is proposed that there will be 6 additional staff in the service, 2 in the downstairs room and 4 in the upstairs room.
<b>Methodology</b>	<p>The inspection was an announced inspection to assess compliance with the Childcare Act 1991 (Early Years Services) Regulations 2016 and Childcare Act 1991 (Early Years Services) (Amendment) Regulations 2016. The Inspection focused on regulations under the following themes: Governance, Health, Welfare and Development of the child, Safety and Premises.</p> <p>The findings on inspection based on information obtained through examination of documentation, direct observation, and discussion with relevant staff are documented in the inspection report and taken into consideration when making a decision in relation to registering the change in circumstance. The Inspectorate reserves the right to edit responses received for reasons including clarity, completeness and compliance with administrative and legal processes. The contents of the report are compiled by the inspectorate body.</p>
<b>Acknowledgements</b>	The Inspector wishes to acknowledge the cooperation of the person in charge, staff and children who were present on the day of the inspection.

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### Part III - Management and Staff

#### Regulation 9 – Management and Recruitment

(1) A registered provider shall ensure that—

(a) the service has a designated person in charge and a named person who is able to deputise as required.

#### Requirement met:

The requirement has been met. The service has a designated person in charge and a named deputy.

### Part III - Management and Staff

#### Regulation 11 -Staffing Levels

(1) Subject to this Regulation, a registered provider shall ensure that there is at all times an adequate number of adults working directly with the children attending the pre-school service.

#### Requirement met:

(1) The requirement has been met. The registered provider states that 2 staff members will be working directly with the proposed 12 pre-school children that will attend the downstairs preschool room and 4 staff members with the proposed 22 children in the upstairs room.

### Part V - Care of Child in Pre-school Service

#### Regulation 20 - Facilities for Rest and Play

(1) Subject to this Regulation, a registered provider shall ensure that—

(a) having regard to the number of pre-school children attending the service, their respective ages and the amount of time they spend on the premises, there are adequate and suitable facilities for each child to play indoors and, where required by these Regulations, outdoors, during the day, and

(b) there are adequate and suitable facilities for a pre-school child to rest during the day,

(3) A registered provider of a full day care service, a part-time day care service or a childminding service, other than such a service to which paragraph (2) applies, shall ensure that—

(a) a suitable, safe and secure outdoor space to which the pre-school children attending the service have access on a daily basis is provided on the premises

#### Requirement met:

The requirements of this regulation have been met.

(1)(a) Adequate and suitable facilities have been provided for children to play indoors during the day. A range of toys, equipment and well-resourced interest areas are available in the care rooms with additional resources ordered.

(b) Adequate and suitable facilities are provided for the children to rest on if required. There is a cosy corner with soft floor mats and cushions. Five stackable day beds are also available should a child require to lie down to sleep or rest.

(3)(b) An outdoor area which is safe, secure and suitable has been provided which is fenced and gated. There is also an enclosed garden area with polytunnels, raised vegetable beds and a pathway for walks to the rear of the building.

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### Part V - Care of Child in Pre-school Service

#### Regulation 22 – Food and Drink

*A registered provider shall ensure that adequate and suitable, nutritious and varied food and drink is available for each pre-school child attending the pre-school service.*

#### Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.  
All meals will be provided by the service and prepared onsite in the bungalow next door. These will include breakfast, morning snack, a cooked main meal and afternoon snack.  
The children will have access to potable drinking water and milk.

### Part VI – Safety

#### Regulation 23 - Safeguarding health, safety and welfare of child

*A registered provider shall ensure that all reasonable measures are taken to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of a pre-school child attending the service and that the environment of the service is safe.*

#### Requirement met:

At the time of the inspection, there were no concerns observed that would impact the safety of children, for example all storage areas have been made inaccessible to the pre-school children. The external doors are appropriately secured, and upstairs windows restricted. All cleaning agents and medications will be stored out of the reach of children.

### Part VI - Safety

#### Regulation 25 – First Aid

- (1) *A registered provider shall ensure that a person trained in first aid for children is, at all times, immediately available to the children attending the pre-school service.*
- (2) *A registered provider shall ensure that a suitably equipped first aid box for children—*
  - (a) *is safely stored in an easily accessible and conspicuous position on the premises, and*
  - (b) *is available to the children attending the pre-school service at all times.*

#### Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.  
(1) The registered provider has ensured there is an adult with up to date First Aid Responder (FAR) training on the premises. Four FAR certificates were available for inspection.  
  
(2)(a) An adequately stocked first aid box is provided in the service.  
(b) The first aid box is available to the pre-school children at all times.

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### Part VI – Safety

#### Regulation 26 – Fire Safety Measures

- (1) A registered provider shall ensure that a record in writing is kept of—
- (a) any fire drill that takes place in the premises, and
  - (b) the number, type and maintenance record of fire fighting equipment and smoke alarms in the premises.
- (4) A notice of the procedures to be followed in the event of fire shall be displayed in a conspicuous position in the premises.

#### Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

(1)(a) There is a log in place to record any fire drills that will take place.

(b) There is a written record of the number type and installation of the new firefighting equipment and smoke alarms in the premises dated 8/8/24 and 30/5/ 2024 respectively.

(4) There is a notice displayed of the procedures to be followed in the event of a fire.

### Part VI – Safety

#### Regulation 28 – Insurance

A registered provider shall ensure that the pre-school service is adequately insured.

#### Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

Insurance is in place for the preschool children which covers a maximum of 60 children from the 20/08/24 and expires on the 27/03/25.

### Part VII – Premises and Space Requirements

#### Regulation 29 – Premises

A registered provider shall ensure that the premises of the service are—

- (a) of sound and stable structure,
- (b) safe and secure,
- (c) kept adequately lit, heated and ventilated,
- (d) cleaned, maintained and repaired, as required, and
- (e) equipped with adequate and suitable sanitary facilities.

#### Requirement met:

The requirement has been met.

(a)The service is operating from a premises which appears to be structurally sound.

(b)The service is safe and secure with a locked entrance. The outdoor play area to the side of the existing care room in the bungalow is fenced and secured.

(c) Lighting is provided by means of natural light and supplemented with three covered fluorescent lights in each care room and one each in the sanitary accommodations.

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	<p>The room temperature in the care rooms is adequate and comfortable. Heating is by means of three radiators, which have protective cages in place in each room and one in each toilet area - also covered.</p> <p>Ventilation: The care rooms are ventilated by means of openable windows in the care rooms and in the sanitary accommodation by means of mechanical ventilation.</p> <p>(d) The premises, toys and equipment are in a clean condition and in good repair. Cleaning schedules are available.</p> <p>(e) Adequate and suitable sanitary accommodation is provided i.e. two toilets and hand basins in the sanitary accommodation off both the care rooms. There is a staff toilet and hand basin upstairs for the staff, and another toilet and handbasin downstairs with disability access. A remote control nappy changing unit is situated in this toilet. The sanitary areas have a continuous supply of thermostatically controlled running water, a supply of liquid soap and a wall mounted paper towel dispenser.</p>
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### Part VII – Premises and Space Requirements

#### Regulation 30 – Minimum Space Requirements

- (1) Subject to paragraphs (2) to (6), a registered provider shall ensure that adequate clear floor space is available in the premises for the work, play and movement of children attending the pre-school service.
- (2) A registered provider of a full day care service or a part-time day care service shall ensure that the minimum amount of clear floor space specified in column (3) of Schedule 7 opposite a particular reference number specified in column (1) of that Schedule in respect of the age range of children specified in column (2) thereof at that reference number is available for each child in that age range attending the service.

#### Requirement met:

(1) and (2) The requirement has been met.

Upstairs there is a floor space of approximately 40m<sup>2</sup> which is adequate to accommodate 22 children aged 3-6 years on a sessional basis or 17 on a full day care basis.

Downstairs there is approximately 28.5m<sup>2</sup> which can accommodate 12 preschool children aged 2-3 years on a full day care basis.