

Orchard Avenue Children's Centre Early Years Service

PRIORY SCHOOL, Orchard Avenue, Slough, SL1 6HE

Inspection date

Previous inspection date

01/09/2014

Not Applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This inspection:

Met

Previous inspection:

Not Applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision

The provision meets requirements

- The staff demonstrate a good knowledge of how to support children's learning and development. They provide individualised learning and support to all children, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities or who learn English as an additional language.
- The staff demonstrate a clear commitment to working in partnership with the children's centre, parents and other agencies. This will support children's move between settings and identify children who may need additional support.
- Staff demonstrate an awareness of ensuring that children are able to play outside daily and have a good range of resources to support children's physical development.
- Staff demonstrate a passionate approach and discuss how they will provide children with a safe environment and provide an abundance of rich opportunities to support their learning and development.
- The manager and staff discussed how they will implement regular supervision and monitoring to support staff performance and professional development. The manager monitors the provision regularly and uses the self-evaluation process to ensure clearly targeted plans bring about effective changes.
- The staff demonstrate a good awareness of the settings safeguarding policies and procedures. They know what to do should they have any concerns about children in their care.

Information about this inspection

Inspections of registered early years provision are:

- scheduled at least once in every inspection cycle – the current cycle ends on 31 July 2016
- scheduled more frequently where Ofsted identifies a need to do so, for example where provision was previously judged inadequate
- brought forward in the inspection cycle where Ofsted has received information that suggests the provision may not be meeting the legal requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage or where assessment of the provision identifies a need for early inspection
- prioritised where we have received information that the provision is not meeting the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage and which suggests children may not be safe
- scheduled at the completion of an investigation into failure to comply with the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

There were no children present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

The provision is also registered on the compulsory part of the Childcare Register. This report includes a judgment about compliance with the requirements of that register.

Inspection activities

- The inspector toured the areas children use.
- The inspector checked evidence of staff's suitability to be working with children.
- The inspector sampled children's learning journals and looked at the planning.
- The inspector held discussions with the staff and the manager.
- The inspector sampled policies and procedures, including risk assessments.

Inspector

Natasha Crellin

Full report

Information about the setting

The Orchard Avenue Children's Centre registered its early years services in 2011 and re-registered in 2014. It is a Sure Start children's centre run on behalf of Slough Borough Council by Mott MacDonald (trading as Cambridge Education) and is situated within the grounds of Priory School in Haymill, Slough. Children have access to a main playroom, toilet facilities and a secure outdoor play area. The setting is registered on the Early Years Register and the compulsory part of the Childcare Register. The setting is open each weekday from 9am to 4pm and the early years sessions run from 9am to 12pm for 51 weeks of the year. At the time of the inspection they were operating term time only. The setting receives funding for children aged two, three and four years. The setting supports a number of children with special educational needs and/or disabilities and children who learn English as an additional language. Support is also provided by the central Slough Early Years and Children's Centre team. A team of four early years staff work in the children's centre, of whom all hold appropriate early years qualifications from level 6 to level 3. There were 9 children on roll at the inspection.

The Childcare Register

The requirements for the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are

Met

What inspection judgements mean

Registered early years provision

Grade	Judgement	Description
Grade 1	Outstanding	Outstanding provision is highly effective in meeting the needs of all children exceptionally well. This ensures that children are very well prepared for the next stage of their learning.
Grade 2	Good	Good provision is effective in delivering provision that meets the needs of all children well. This ensures children are ready for the next stage of their learning.
Grade 3	Requires improvement	The provision is not giving children a good standard of early years education and/or there are minor breaches of the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. We re-inspect nurseries and pre-schools judged as requires improvement within 12 months of the date of inspection.
Grade 4	Inadequate	Provision that is inadequate requires significant improvement and/or enforcement action. The provision is failing to give children an acceptable standard of early years education and/or is not meeting the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. It will be monitored and inspected again within six months of the date of this inspection.
Met		There were no children present at the time of the inspection. The inspection judgement is that the provider continues to meet the requirements for registration.
Not met		There were no children present at the time of the inspection. The inspection judgement is that the provider does not meet the requirements for registration.

Inspection

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY475162
Local authority	Slough
Inspection number	966217
Type of provision	Sessional provision
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	2 - 5
Total number of places	20
Number of children on roll	9
Name of provider	Mott MacDonald Ltd (trading as Cambridge Education)
Date of previous inspection	not applicable
Telephone number	01628661789

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Sessional provision operates for more than two hours but does not exceed three hours in any one day. These are usually known as pre-schools, kindergartens or nursery schools

and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. They are registered on the Early Years Register and pay the lower fee for registration.

Childminders care for one or more children where individual children attend for a period of more than two hours in any one day. They operate from domestic premises, which are usually the childminder's own home. They are registered on the Early Years Register and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Out of school provision may be sessional or full-time provision and is delivered before or after school and/or in the summer holidays. They are registered on the Early Years Register and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. Where children receive their Early Years Foundation Stage in school these providers do not have to deliver the learning and development requirements in full but should complement the experiences children receive in school.

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