ClementsWood Neighbourhood Nursery



46 Grosvenor Road, Ilford, Essex, IG1 1LE

Inspection date Previous inspection date		ary 2015 uary 2014	
The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Requires Improvement	3
How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend		Good	2
The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children		Good	2
The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision		Good	2
The setting meets legal requirements for early years settings			

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Staff provide children with a good range of play resources in all playrooms and outdoors. This means children are eager to learn and progress well from their initial development levels.
- Staff establish positive partnerships with parents, which help them to meet children's individual needs. They keep parents informed of their children's learning, by sharing progress records, holding regularly meetings and providing newsletters.
- Staff form secure relationships with children. They are good role models and effectively support children's emotional well-being.
- Children behave well due to the consistent strategies staff use to manage their behaviour.
- The provider monitors the progress of all children well. She evaluates staff practice and learning outcomes for children as part of her drive for improvement.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not always promote children's mathematical understanding of size, shape and measure during play.
- Staff miss opportunities to discuss with children the importance of eating healthy foods and the impact of this on their physical development.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

To further improve the quality of the early years provision the provider should:

- strengthen children's mathematical skills by taking every opportunity to teach them about number, shape, size and measure in their everyday play
- develop children's awareness of maintaining a healthy lifestyle by discussing the benefits of eating nutritious foods, particularly for their physical development.

Inspection activities

- The inspector undertook a joint inspection with the manager.
- The inspector examined a range of documentation, including children's records and staff files.
- The inspector spoke to the children and parents during the inspection.
- The inspector held discussions with the manager throughout the inspection.
- The inspector observed staff and the children engaged in activities.

Inspector

Caroline Preston

Inspection findings

How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend. This is good

Staff are effective in undertaking continuous observations and assessments of children's learning. This enables them to easily identify and close any gaps in their development. Therefore, all children make good progress in preparing for their next stage of learning. However, they miss opportunities to promote children's mathematical skills at times. For example, when building towers together, they do not encourage children to count or recognise the various shapes and sizes of the bricks. Children enjoy exploring creative materials, such as moulding playdough. Staff skilfully extend their interest by offering additional tools, which creates further discussion around ideas for play. All of which effectively promotes children's language, social and emotional skills. Staff provide a range of interesting books and children enjoy handling these and listening to stories. As a result, children develop good early literacy skills and learn to sit, listen and follow instructions well. Children benefit from a range of physical activities and show good skills in balancing and climbing outside on large play equipment.

The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children is good

Staff promote children's understanding of diversity well. For example, they provide interesting play resources and take children on trips to different places of worship. Staff teach children good hygiene practices. Therefore, they successfully learn to manage their own personal care needs well. Staff teach children how to play safely, for example, when climbing on the outdoor apparatus and by reminding them not to run indoors. Although staff provide children with healthy and nutritious meals, they miss opportunities to discuss the importance of eating certain foods, particularly the benefits for their physical health. Nevertheless, staff promote a relaxed and enjoyable atmosphere for children during mealtimes, where they benefit from sitting in smaller groups. Staff prepare children well for their move to full-time education, by taking them on visits to their future schools.

The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision is good

The provider effectively monitors staff performance by offering support through supervision and provides further training opportunities. This helps to drive improvement and achieve better outcomes for children. All actions from the last inspection have been robustly met. For example, the provider has recruited new staff and improved the overall resources, as well as strengthened partnership with parents. Staff demonstrate a good understanding of the procedures to safeguard children. They conduct thorough risk assessments to maintain children's safety. The provider embeds robust recruitment and vetting procedures to help safeguard children's welfare. Additionally, staff develop strong links with external agencies to further promote children's progress.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY263449
Local authority	Redbridge
Inspection number	973445
Type of provision	Full-time provision
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	38
Number of children on roll	41
Name of provider	Just Fun Ltd
Date of previous inspection	14 February 2014
Telephone number	0208 478 3121

Clements Wood Neighbourhood Nursery registered in 2003. It is situated in Ilford, Redbridge. The nursery is open each weekday from 7.30am to 6pm, all-year round. Children have access to an enclosed outdoor play area. The nursery receives funding to for the provision of free early education to children aged two, three, and four years. The nursery employs eight members of staff. Of these, six staff are qualified at level 3, one at level 2 and other staff member has a degree in education at level 6.

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