Sansway House Day Nursery



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Inspection date Previous inspection date	1 June 20 7 Octobe	-	
The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
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 Good 2 of children		2	
The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the Good 2 early years provision		2	
The setting meets legal requirements for early years settings			

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Staff are enthusiastic and motivated about their work. They are caring and provide a welcoming environment for children and their families. Children develop a strong sense of belonging.
- Staff plan activities that challenge children, which are clearly based on their individual needs and interests. These encourage children to explore the activities so they learn.
- The quality of teaching is consistently good, particularly for pre-school children where staff ensure they are gaining the skills and dispositions they need for school.
- Extremely effective contact with parents and others involved in the children's care and education ensures that the individual needs of children are met well.
- Staff have regular supervision sessions with leaders and undertake regular training. This has had a positive impact on the quality of their teaching practice, which promotes children's learning experiences. Leaders now use checking systems well to track children's progress and to help identify and close any gaps in their learning.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Two and three-year-olds miss valuable time to play because they have to wait a long time for a turn to use a hand-dryer, and when getting ready to play outside.
- Staff do not make the best use of technology resources to aid children's learning and teach them about online safety.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- check that the routines for children's hand drying and preparation to go outdoors are organised so that children aged between two and three years are not kept waiting for long periods
- review the use of technology resources to develop children's understanding of technology and how to use it safely.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed staff teaching children and the impact this has on children's learning in the playrooms and outdoors.
- The inspector held discussions with the owners, manager, staff, parents and children.
- The inspector sampled children's development records, including planning and monitoring of progress documents, and read evaluation paperwork.
- The inspector checked evidence of background checks and qualifications of staff.

Inspector

Jan Harvey

Inspection findings

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

Staff provide a well-organised, exciting learning environment indoors and outdoors. It meets the children's needs whatever their ages and abilities so all enjoy themselves. Staff encourage children to make decisions for themselves so they become independent learners. Children have opportunities to be outside and active in an exceptionally well-equipped outdoor play area. This area increases play opportunities for babies and toddlers in particular and gives children a different aspect to their learning. Staff promote children's understanding of number routinely in children's play so they gain useful skills ready for school. They provide children with first-hand experiences when learning about the world around them. For example, they have the chance to grow flowers and vegetables and learn about recycling.

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

Designated staff develop very positive and supportive relationships with children for whom they take special responsibility. Good-quality resources are at a level where children have easy access to them and can make choices for themselves so they enjoy what they do. Staff are good role models to children. They encourage good behaviour. They expect children to become independent; for instance, they show children how to cut fruit safely rather than doing it for them so that they learn new skills. Children eat healthy meals and learn good hygiene habits. However, children have to wait to dry their hands and some children need lifting by staff to reach the dryer so cannot further their personal independence as soon as possible.

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

The management team has a very good understanding of its responsibilities and meets requirements well. Staff look after children well. Leaders make effective use of their qualifications and those of more experienced staff who guide those who are less experienced. Staff have responded well to issues from the last inspection. Changes made have much improved the effectiveness of checking methods and provided children with many more opportunities to learn about people and their differences. The manager and deputy now carry out monthly safeguarding reviews to ensure there is a high level of awareness of related issues. Staff actively encourage parents' suggestions to help determine what improvements are required. Parents make special mention of the online information sharing service that they can access anytime so they are kept well informed of their children's progress. All these changes have helped maintain the high standards of the service offered.

Setting details

Unique reference number	107037
Local authority	Bristol City
Inspection number	839460
Type of provision	Full-time provision
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	0 - 5
Total number of places	33
Number of children on roll	40
Name of provider	Kelly Ann Clark & Alison Louise Starkie Partnership
Date of previous inspection	7 October 2010
Telephone number	0117 9829609

Sansway House Day Nursery registered in 2000. It is situated in the Lawrence Weston area of the city of Bristol. The nursery is open each weekday from 7.30am to 6pm throughout the year except for bank holidays. An out-of-school service is provided for children attending local primary schools. The two owners of the nursery, who hold early years qualifications, employ eight members of staff to work directly with the children, of whom five hold appropriate early years qualifications. The manager holds a relevant childcare degree. The nursery receives funding for the provision of free early education for children aged two, three and four years.

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