

Queens Park Community Nursery

37 Macroom Road, London, W9 3HY



Inspection date

Previous inspection date

30 June 2015

7 February 2013

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Satisfactory	3
How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend		Outstanding	1
The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children		Outstanding	1
The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision		Outstanding	1
The setting meets legal requirements for early years settings			

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is outstanding

- All staff are passionate and knowledgeable about the work they do. They show enthusiasm and have an excellent understanding of how children learn. This ensures that all children thrive in this vibrant and nurturing nursery.
- Children are happy and enjoy excellent relationships with their friends and staff. They experience a rich variety of interesting and suitably challenging activities that are carefully planned. As a result, children make rapid progress from their starting points.
- All staff receive excellent ongoing training in child protection and safeguarding issues. The provider implements robust recruitment measures and comprehensive policies and procedures to help safeguard children and protect them from harm.
- Staff build extremely strong partnerships with parents, other settings and professionals. Parents are always involved and well informed of their children's care and progress. This ensures that staff always quickly identify and support children's needs effectively.
- The manager promotes professional development and focuses on developing the quality of teaching. As a result, staff are highly qualified. They are encouraged to share best practice with one another and this ensures the best outcomes for children and effectively promotes continuous improvement.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- when children show an interest in writing letters and numbers, make sure staff are consistent in helping them form these correctly.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the premises with the duty manager.
- The inspector took account of the views of the parents.
- The inspector conducted joint observations with the manager.
- The inspector observed a range of children's activities, inside and outside, and sampled children's records and planning.
- The inspector held a leadership and management meeting with the manager and sampled key documentation.

Inspector

Carolina Montesinos

Inspection findings

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

Precise assessment systems quickly address individual and group needs. Staff make the best use of questions. They listen carefully to children in order to discuss all aspects of their learning and develop children's knowledge and understanding. Staff offer an excellently balanced range of activities at the right level for children's age and stage of development. Younger children receive effective support in their language development through singing, signing and small group activities. Staff encourage the use of children's home languages so that any gaps in children's learning close quickly. Older children are successfully supported in their literacy skills. They enjoy exploring letters, sounds and numbers as part of their daily routines throughout the learning environment. However, staff do not always offer consistent support in helping children form these correctly. Parents are actively involved and highly enthusiastic about working with the nursery to support their child's development, for example, by contributing their observations from home.

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

Children thrive as a result of the exceptional care they receive. They thoroughly enjoy their time in this stimulating environment. Staff know the children extremely well. They understand the children's individual needs because they collect comprehensive information from parents when children start. This ensures children settle very quickly and form strong attachments to staff. Children eat healthy meals and learn good hygiene habits. They access fresh air and extend their learning outside every day. Staff have a strong understanding of safeguarding procedures and are very vigilant. Risk assessments are rigorous and include daily checks of all areas. Parents are extremely well informed about all aspects of the nursery through daily feedback, noticeboards, newsletters, emails and reports of children's progress.

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

The very knowledgeable manager provides staff with outstanding support through ongoing management of their performance and regular training to enhance teaching. This motivates the staff. Excellent partnerships with external and company professionals provide additional feedback and promote incisive self-evaluation. Highly effective arrangements for recruiting new staff, induction and monitoring of staff performance lead to high levels of consistent practice. The manager maintains well-documented practice, including evidence of all staff's suitability checks, qualifications and training. All staff receive training in safeguarding and paediatric first aid to ensure they maintain a safe environment for all children.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY226998
Local authority	Westminster
Inspection number	1021129
Type of provision	Full-time provision
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	45
Number of children on roll	52
Name of provider	The London Early Years Foundation
Date of previous inspection	7 February 2013
Telephone number	020 8968 9580

Queens Park Community Nursery registered in 2002. The nursery is situated in the grounds of Westminster Adult Education College in Queen's Park, in the City of Westminster. The nursery is open Monday to Friday from 8am until 6pm all year, with the exception of a week at Christmas. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children. There are seven staff, including the manager. They all hold relevant qualifications, including Qualified Teacher Status and early years degrees.

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