

God's Grace Daycare

Christ Apostolic Church, 163 Ilderton Road, LONDON, SE16 3LA



Inspection date

3 August 2015

Previous inspection date

9 April 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Inadequate	4
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 have a good understanding of how children learn and plan effectively to guide their progress towards the early learning goals. This consistently helps to prepare children for the next stage in their learning and their move to school.
- Staff are caring and interact enthusiastically with children as they support them in their play. Therefore, children form close relationships with the staff and this effectively promotes their emotional well-being.
- The manager regularly monitors children's progress to reflect on the effectiveness of the learning programme and to plan for improvements. Consequently, the quality of teaching is continually rising with a good focus on children's achievements.
- Staff have a thorough understanding of child protection procedures and know how to safeguard children's well-being. This helps to keep children safe.
- Self-evaluation is strong and partnerships with parents are very effective. Staff and parents meet regularly to exchange ideas and identify areas that need further development. This ensures a united approach to improvement action.
- The manager and the staff have a good understanding of the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. They have worked well as a team and have successfully met all the actions and recommendations raised at the previous inspection.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Occasionally, staff do not share information effectively with each other to avoid delays in attending to children's care needs, such as their washing faces.
- Staff do not consistently promote children's understanding of good eating habits.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- strengthen procedures for sharing information among staff to avoid any delay in attending to children's care needs
- review the organisation of snack time so all children have somewhere to sit and develop good eating habits.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed children and their interactions with staff.
- The inspector carried out meetings with the manager.
- The inspector took account of the views of parents, children and staff.
- The inspector viewed a sample of documents, including children's developmental records.
- The inspector carried out a joint observation with the manager.

Inspector

Geetha Ramesh

Inspection findings

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

Staff use creative ideas to provide enjoyable learning experiences for children and stimulate their interest. For example, children learn about the lifecycle of butterflies through role play. This promotes their creativity and their understanding of the world. Staff talked to children about the effect of colour mixing, as children explored paints with their hands. Children made up a story using toy models of animals to act out their narration. Staff extended their learning through effective questioning and this helped children develop their language and early reading skills. Staff provide a good range of challenging play equipment across all areas of the environment to promote the needs of all children. Consequently, all children develop confidence in trying new skills as they extend their physical abilities. The manager has established close links with local schools. Staff attend meetings with parents and school staff to share information effectively and ensure a smooth move on to school.

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

Staff provide an inclusive environment for children and their families. They work in close partnership with parents to support children who are learning English as an additional language. Consequently, all families feel welcome. Children develop independence as they help with routine tasks, such as setting up for mealtimes. Staff plan and provide healthy meals and snacks for children. Therefore, children learn to make healthy choices. Children enjoyed exploring the mud kitchen outside and busily engaged in watering the seeds in the planting area. They get fresh air as they learn about the natural world and this promotes their health and well-being. Staff offer lots of praise and encouragement to promote positive behaviour and this helps to promote children's social skills.

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

The manager works in close partnerships with local authority advisors and the local safeguarding children's board to make improvements and effectively strengthen practices. The manager supervises staff effectively to continually raise the quality of teaching and outcomes for children. Staff work in close partnerships with more experienced staff in a local setting. They share good practice ideas and reflect on ways to improve children's learning experiences. The special educational needs coordinator has had appropriate training to equip herself for the role. She effectively shares her knowledge and skills with other staff to support children with special educational needs and/or disabilities. This helps to reduce gaps in children's learning and all children make good progress.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY445114
Local authority	Southwark
Inspection number	1012771
Type of provision	Full-time provision
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	40
Number of children on roll	22
Name of provider	Christ Apostolic Church Surrey Docks Committee
Date of previous inspection	9 April 2015
Telephone number	02072522086

God's Grace Daycare registered in 2012 and is located in the South Bermondsey area in the London Borough of Southwark. The nursery opens between 8am and 6pm each weekday and is open all year. It supports children who speak English as an additional language. There are 10 members of staff, three of whom are qualified to degree level and three have appropriate level childcare qualifications.

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