Honeysuckle Day Nursery Limited



Stantons, Church Lane, Reading, RG2 9BY

Inspection date	12 August 2015
Previous inspection date	10 March 2015

The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Good	2
The quality and standards of the early years provision	Previous inspection:	Requires Improvement	3
How well the early years provision meer range of children who attend	ts the needs of the	Good	2
The contribution of the early years provof children	rision to the well-being	Good	2
The effectiveness of the leadership and early years provision	management of the	Good	2
The setting meets legal requirement	ts for early years setti	ngs	

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Staff provide children with a broad variety of activities that help them make good progress. They recognise each child as an individual and ensure children are able to follow their interests.
- Children experience an interesting day with good opportunities for physical activities, nutritious food and drink, and quiet restful times or sleep. This helps children enjoy their day and supports the development of a healthy lifestyle.
- Partnerships with parents and other professionals are well established and support children's care and learning. Parents speak positively about the nursery and say staff are approachable and helpful.
- Leadership and management is strong. They have some systems in place to help staff develop their skills and make good use of training opportunities. There are effective recruitment systems to help ensure staff suitability.
- The premises are well maintained and provide exciting learning experiences across all areas of the environment. The imaginative developments in the extensive gardens fully support children's learning, particularly for those who like to be outside.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Occasionally, the interactions between some staff and some older children do not always consistently challenge their learning.
- Management do not fully make effective use of the more experienced and knowledgeable staff to share their skills and help others to strengthen their understanding of how children learn.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- continue to strengthen interactions between staff and children to enable all staff to identify when and how to extend learning experiences, so all children have regular challenges to promote their progress
- encourage the more experienced staff to share good practice and help others to continually improve the quality and consistency of teaching.

Inspection activities

- The inspector toured the premises with senior staff.
- The inspector observed the children and staff at play indoors and in the gardens.
- The inspector observed and discussed an activity with the deputy manager.
- The inspector examined documentation, read the self-evaluation and discussed leadership and management with the manager.

Inspector

Lynne Lewington

Inspection findings

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

Staff support children's learning well as they plan a variety of experiences and opportunities throughout the nursery. They know what children like to do and provide a very interesting and attractive environment. Staff encourage children to think and use their skills in different activities. For example, while children play outside they look to see if the vegetables need watering and do this willingly. Children enthusiastically play hospitals, as they wrap each other in bandages, make signs and act out real and imaginary experiences. They use all of their senses well as they play creatively in the mud kitchen with paint, sand and water. Staff play alongside children and encourage their communication and language positively. Staff and managers use effective systems to monitor and check all children make good progress in their learning.

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

Staff take care to keep children safe and develop their awareness of safety. Children behave well and are keen to learn. They enjoy opportunities to play with their younger siblings and this builds on positive relationships. This encourages all children to develop effective social skills as they take care around younger children to keep them safe. Children throughout the nursery benefit from the nurturing care they receive from familiar staff, who get to know them well. Staff provide daily routines that enable children to feel confident and emotionally secure. They encourage parents to share useful information about children's developing interests and skills at home. Staff use this detail well to extend conversations and activities with children.

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

Since the last inspection, the management team have worked hard to make improvements. There has been a focus on improving parental access to children's records and opportunities to discuss their development. Daily routines now provide older children with many opportunities to develop their skills and independence, in preparation for school. All staff completed an appropriate safeguarding course to ensure they clearly understand their responsibilities if they have child protection concerns. Management identify staff training needs and provide support during supervisions. They help strengthen teaching skills to ensure children continue to make good progress. Partnerships with local schools help the children's move to school go smoothly.

Setting details

Unique reference number EY468031

Local authority Wokingham

Inspection number 1008628

Type of provision Full-time provision

Registration category Childcare - Non-Domestic

Age range of children 0 - 8

Total number of places 48

Number of children on roll 91

Name of provider Honeysuckle Day Nursery Limited

Date of previous inspection 10 March 2015

Telephone number 07748307030

Honeysuckle Day Nursery Limited registered in 2013 and is owned by a private organisation. The nursery is in Reading, Berkshire. It is open from 7.30am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, throughout the year. The nursery receives funding for the provision of free early education to children aged two, three and four years. There are 21 staff employed, of these, 16 hold appropriate early years qualifications and the manager holds a BA Honours in Education.

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