

Kidsunlimited - Kingston upon Thames

95 Richmond Road, Kingston Upon Thames, KT2 5BT



Inspection date

10 September 2015

Previous inspection date

Not applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Good	2
Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Children are happy and settled and build good relationships with others. They learn to treat each other with consideration as they follow the good example set by staff.
- The indoor and outdoor environments are well organised so children feel confident to explore, play and, as a result make good progress in their learning and development.
- Staff and parents share high ambitions for the children. Children gain a good range of skills and knowledge so that they are ready to move on to school or other settings.
- Leaders and managers regularly review practice. They support the team to successfully implement change to improve outcomes for all children.
- Staff are caring and attentive and provide for children's personal care needs very well, in line with parents' wishes.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Leaders and managers are at an early stage of improving systems to monitor and track the progress made by different groups of children.
- The setting does not always provide parents with helpful information of how they can further support their child's learning at home.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- improve the tracking system so that any gaps in learning for different groups of children are identified quickly and the information is used to strengthen teaching so all children make the best progress possible
- develop different and more effective ways of helping parents to support their child's learning at home.

Inspection activities

- This inspection was carried out following the risk assessment process.
- The inspector spoke with staff and children at appropriate times during the day and held discussions with the senior management team.
- The inspector carried out joint observations with the manager.
- The inspector took account of views of parents spoken to on the day of the inspection.
- The inspector looked at children's records, planning documentation, evidence of suitability of staff and a range of other documentation, including policies and procedures.
- The inspector observed activities both inside and outdoors.

Inspector

Elizabeth Coffey

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The provider has focussed successfully on developing good practice at this newly registered setting. Safeguarding is effective. Following a recent whole-staff training and review of procedures, consistency among staff in ensuring safety and supervision of children at all times has improved. Rigorous systems are in place to ensure suitable staff work with the children. Continual professional development is encouraged so that staff are well supported to advance their skills and qualifications to improve their practice.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

The provider's leadership and monitoring of teaching and care routines is effective. Staff record information in detailed 'learning journals' about children's progress and development. They set clear goals for future learning which are shared with parents. Skilled practitioners have high expectations for children and support all children to become active and confident learners.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children enjoy daily outdoor play in the stimulating well laid out garden. Staff talk knowledgeably with the children about exercise and encourage their understanding of healthy eating and lifestyles. Staff work closely with parents to settle babies and new children well. Behaviour of children is good and staff encourage children to treat each other and the environment with care and respect. Staff know what to do if they are concerned about a child and get the right additional help if the need arises.

Outcomes for children are good

Children are enthusiastic learners and eagerly join in the wealth of stimulating activities that support their all-round development. Staff build on children's interest to extend their learning. For example when children show an interest in aeroplanes they plan and provide stimulating activities about 'flight'. They talk about different modes of flight and children make mini parachutes which they delight in flying from a height, counting how long their parachute takes to reach the ground. With individual attention and lively teaching in group sessions, involving songs, rhymes, pictures and actions, children at all stages of learning, including those who speak English as an additional language, join in as confident speakers. Children develop their language, physical, mathematical and creative skills as they join in drama, tennis, yoga and music sessions. Older children are well prepared to move on to school as they have confident self-help and communication skills.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY475354
Local authority	Kingston upon Thames
Inspection number	1026463
Type of provision	Full-time provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	0 - 5
Total number of places	73
Number of children on roll	74
Name of provider	Bright Horizons Family Solutions Limited
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	07734076263

Kidsunlimited at Kingston Upon Thames is part of a large chain of nurseries owned and run by Bright Horizons Family Solutions Limited. The nursery registered in 2014. It operates from a converted house in Kingston Upon Thames. There is an enclosed outdoor area. The nursery opens five days a week from 7.30am to 6.30pm all year around, except for bank holidays.

The nursery is registered on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. There are currently 74 children on roll. The nursery receives funding for the provision of free early years education for children aged two and three years. The nursery employs 15 permanent members of staff who work with the children, with 11 staff holding a suitable early years qualification. Additional bank staff are employed as necessary. An administrator, a chef and a housekeeper also work on the premises.

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