# Tik-Tok Nursery

The Boulevard, Holmes Drive, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear, NE10 0DJ



Inspection date	15 February 2016
Previous inspection date	17 July 2012

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Inadequate	4
	Previous inspection:	Outstanding	1
Effectiveness of the leadership and ma	nagement	Inadequate	4
Quality of teaching, learning and asses	sment	Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and	welfare	Inadequate	4
Outcomes for children		Good	2

# Summary of key findings for parents

# This provision is inadequate

- The manager and staff are not aware of the correct procedure to follow in the event of an allegation being made about member of staff.
- Occasionally, staff do not recognise opportunities to challenge and extend older children's mathematical skills.
- Staff do not always make the most of opportunities that enable them to work directly with their key children.

# It has the following strengths

- The quality of teaching is good. The well-qualified staff team has a secure understanding of how children learn and develop. They make good use of their accurate assessments of children, in order to plan relevant activities that support them in making good progress in their learning
- Children who speak English as an additional language, disabled children and those with special educational needs make good progress. They are supported through positive interactions and through detailed planning, which is adapted to meet their individual needs.
- Staff have strong partnerships with parents, other providers, agencies and local schools. They work well together to meet children's individual needs and provide additional support. Staff are effective in their communication with parents and involve them in children's learning.
- The nursery is extremely welcoming and inclusive. Staff are warm and caring and provide children with lots of support and praise. This helps children to develop close emotional attachments with the adults caring for them. Children behave well and develop strong relationships with one another.

# What the setting needs to do to improve further

# To meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage and the Childcare **Register the provider must:**

**Due Date** 

ensure that an appropriate safeguarding policy is in place and that the manager and staff fully understand the correct procedures to follow in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff.

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

- enhance opportunities for older children to develop and extend their mathematical skills in everyday situations and play
- provide more opportunities for key persons to spend more time with their key children and key groups.

## **Inspection activities**

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector talked to children and staff throughout the inspection.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the Early Years Practitioner.
- The inspector held a meeting with the manager. She looked at relevant documentation, such as, the nursery's policies, self-evaluation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the nursery.
- The inspector spoke to a small selection of parents during the inspection and took account of their views.

#### Inspector

Janet Fairhurst

# **Inspection findings**

## Effectiveness of the leadership and management is inadequate

The arrangements for safeguarding are ineffective. The manager and staff do not have a secure understanding of the correct procedures to follow, in the event of an allegation being made against a member of staff. This has a negative impact on children's safety and welfare. There are effective recruitment procedures in place to help ensure that only suitable people look after children. The manager and senior team have well-organised systems for the continual assessment and development of staff. They monitor children's progress well to help identify any gaps in children's learning and staff act swiftly to address these. Self-evaluation, including the views of staff and parents, is used to identify strengths and some areas for development. However, it fails to identify weakness in the provision where legal requirements are not met.

# Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Teaching is good. Staff make good use of accurate and precise observations of children's learning. This information is used to plan meaningful activities to help promote children's development to the next stage in their learning. Babies and toddlers have access to an interesting range of resources that enables them to make choices about their play and learning. All children are making good progress in their communication and language skills. Staff promote children's expressive arts and design skills well. For example, older children use their imagination as they line up chairs and pretend they are on a roller coaster. Younger children develop control and coordination of their hands as they use a range of tools to make marks and fill containers with sand. Staff share ideas and resources with parents to support children's learning at home.

## Personal development, behaviour and welfare are inadequate

Children's welfare and well-being are compromised due the weakness in leadership and management. Nevertheless, other aspects of children's welfare are effectively implemented. Children behave well. Staff sensitively remind them of expected behaviour and provide them with clear explanations. This helps children to play cooperatively with their friends and they are encouraged to share, take turns and be kind to one another. Staff work well with parents to ensure that children's individual care needs are met. There are good arrangements in place to help children to move seamlessly on to school, and when they move between rooms. Older children demonstrate a real sense of responsibility for their environment. They eagerly help to tidy away the toys and activities that they have been playing with. Outdoor play and the provision of nutritious meals contribute towards children's ability to exercise and be healthy. Staff actively ensure that the environment is safe and secure at all times. They are very vigilant and conduct regular risk assessments as part of keeping children safe.

# **Outcomes for children are good**

All children are making good progress from their starting points. They grow in confidence and develop the skills they need in readiness for their move to school.

# **Setting details**

**Unique reference number** EY280730

**Local authority** Gateshead

**Inspection number** 1030313

**Type of provision** Full-time provision

**Day care type**Childcare - Non-Domestic

**Registers** Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Age range of children 0 - 12

**Total number of places** 100

Number of children on roll 184

Name of provider Hawks Road Community Nursery Ltd

**Date of previous inspection** 17 July 2012

Telephone number 0191 4786684

Tik-Tok Nursery has been registered since 2004. The nursery employs 38 members of staff. Of these, six hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 2, and 31 hold appropriate early years qualification at level 3 or above. One member of staff has gained Early Years Professional status. The nursery opens Monday to Friday, all year round. Sessions are from 7.30 until 6pm. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children. The nursery supports disabled children and those with special educational needs, and children who speak English as an additional language.

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