# Peekaboo Day Care

Darwen Access Point, Duckworth Street, DARWEN, Lancashire, BB3 1AT



Inspection date	25 February 2016
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Requires improvement	3
early years provision	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and ma	nagement	Requires improvement	3
Quality of teaching, learning and assess	sment	Requires improvement	3
Personal development, behaviour and v	welfare	Good	2
Outcomes for children		Requires improvement	3

## Summary of key findings for parents

#### This provision requires improvement. It is not yet good because:

- The manager does not closely monitor the assessments undertaken by staff to ensure that learning experiences for all children are targeted where they are needed most.
- Staff do not regularly share information with parents about their child's progress. This means that they are not always fully informed of their children's learning and development and supported to extend their learning at home.
- Supervision arrangements are not embedded and consistently carried out, in order to provide staff with regular coaching and support them to improve their personal effectiveness.

#### It has the following strengths

- The setting is safe and secure. Clear policies, procedures and risk assessments are in place. These are understood by all staff. Information about children is sufficiently sought and stored securely. Accidents and incidents that take place at the setting are dealt with appropriately.
- Children are supported to lead a healthy lifestyle. They enjoy healthy and nutritionally balanced home-cooked meals and snacks. Fresh drinking water is readily available. There are effective systems in place to ensure that any children who have special dietary requirements have their individual needs met.
- Hygiene procedures at the setting are sound. Staff wear protective clothing and items used in the nursery are regularly cleaned and laundered. Children are helped by staff to independently maintain their good personal hygiene.

# What the setting needs to do to improve further

#### To meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage the provider must:

		Due Date
	ensure that staff undertake regular assessments of children's progress and monitor the frequency and accuracy of assessments undertaken, so that their learning priorities are closely tailored to their individual needs and they are consistently supported to make good progress	01/04/2016
	improve the exchange of information for parents, in order to encourage them to share their knowledge about their child's learning and progress and to offer them guidance that enables them to enhance their children's learning and development at home	01/04/2016
•	provide regular and effective supervision for all staff, along with opportunities to receive coaching to improve their personal effectiveness and the quality of teaching.	01/04/2016

#### **Inspection activities**

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities indoors and outdoors and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector completed some observations of practice with the nursery manager and discussed these with her.
- The inspector held a meeting with the nursery manager and provider. She looked at relevant documentation, such as the children's records, policies and procedures, 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

Donna Birch

# **Inspection findings**

#### Effectiveness of the leadership and management requires improvement

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Staff have a clear understanding of their roles and responsibilities to keep children safe. The manager and staff are well qualified. Recent changes to the staffing structure mean that they are beginning to combine their knowledge and address identified weaknesses. Arrangements for the supervision of staff are in the early stages of being introduced. However, the manager has not embedded these, in order to enable her to effectively monitor each staff member's performance and the quality of their teaching. The manager has not ensured that the regularity and accuracy of assessments of children's learning are sufficiently robust to ensure all are making good progress. The management team has evaluated responses gained from a recent parental survey and has made some meaningful changes to the setting.

#### Quality of teaching, learning and assessment requires improvement

The manager and staff have a suitable understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage. Staff use observations of children's play to plan some meaningful activities and experiences. However, assessments are not regularly carried out by all staff, so that they can track children's progress and tailor activities specifically to meet their individual learning priorities. Nevertheless, children, including those who are disabled or have special educational needs, are developing within thetypical ranges for their age. They are slowly developing the skills needed to be ready for the next step in their learning and school. Parents are welcomed into the nursery and are encouraged to contribute initial information about their children's care. However, the inconsistencies in assessment and monitoring mean that staff do not always have sufficient information to keep parents fully informed about how well their children are progressing. Additionally, parents are not supported by staff to extend children's learning at home.

#### Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children benefit from caring interactions with enthusiastic staff. They behave well, according to their age and stage of development. Despite a number of staff changes, children are confident and settled at the nursery. The warm and welcoming learning environment is organised to help children make independent choices in their play. They enjoy lots of physical activities, both inside and outdoors. This supports their physical development. Children are developing good independence and social skills. They serve themselves at mealtimes and snack time and pour their own drinks. Babies' individual needs are sufficiently met. Children are supported emotionally by staff as they move between rooms in the nursery and on to school.

### **Outcomes for children require improvement**

Children are not yet supported to make good progress in their learning. Children are happy in the nursery and show motivation for learning. Funding is used effectively to support the needs of individual children. This makes a positive contribution to the individual experiences they receive.

## **Setting details**

Unique reference number EY480375

Local authority Blackburn

**Inspection number** 1040160

**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 - 4

Total number of places 92

Number of children on roll 64

Name of provider Peek A Boo Day Care Limited

**Date of previous inspection**Not applicable **Telephone number**07850618681

Peekaboo Day Care was registered in 2014. The nursery employs 11 members of childcare staff. Of these, 8 staff hold early years qualifications at levels 2 to 6. The nursery opens from Monday to Friday, all year round. Sessions are from 7.30am until 6pm. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children. The nursery supports a number of disabled children and those that have special educational needs.

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