Planet Tiny Babies

Priory Lodge, 110a Priory Road, London, N8 7QT



Inspection date	22 April 2016
Previous inspection date	27 April 2011

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

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Managers have an in-depth understanding of how young children learn. They ensure that they usually experience a diverse range of activities that push their learning forward. They check children's progress carefully to plan for their needs.
- Managers have a rigorous approach towards reviewing what they provide for children. The views of parents, staff and other early years professionals are actively gathered and considered. Improvement plans target any areas of weakness effectively.
- Staff teach well and skilfully help children develop important skills for the future. Children happily communicate and socialise with others around them.
- Staff are exceptionally sensitive towards children's needs and ensure a high level of care to them. This is highly effective at supporting children's emotional attachments and instilling in them a strong sense of security. They behave well.
- Children make good progress. They learn to become active and seek out experiences which meet their interests.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Routines to help parents support their children's learning at home are not always effective.
- Staff do not always ensure children use resources and activities available to maximise their learning experiences.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- continue to help parents understand how they can help their child's learning at home
- help children to use the resources available to maximise their learning experiences.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed teaching and the impact it had on children's learning both indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector spoke to members of staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection and held a meeting with the managers of the provision.
- The inspector carried out a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector took account of the views of parents spoken to on the day of the inspection.
- The inspector looked at children's records, planning documentation, evidence of the suitability of staff working in the setting and a range of other documentation, including policies and procedures.

Inspector

Michelle Bassani

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Managers are ambitious and set clear expectations for both children and staff. Effective monitoring of children's development and progress helps identify and narrow any gaps in learning between different groups of children. Thorough systems are in place for supporting staff in their roles to become better skilled, such as targeting training to their needs. The staff team is well qualified. This helps raise the quality of the provision and improve outcomes for children. Staff involve parents in finding out what children can do before they start. Safeguarding is effective. Children's safety and welfare is at the heart of all the setting's policies and procedures. Staff observe these closely. They know what to do and who to contact if they have any concerns about children's welfare.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

The quality of teaching is generally good. A high number of staff helps ensure that each child's needs and interests are catered for well. Children learn to communicate with others as staff talk to them about what they are doing. They use different ways to develop their early reading skills. For example, they sing action songs to help them link words to actions. Children develop their physical skills as they explore activities and at different levels. For example, children explore the properties of shaving foam or play with sea shells and boats in a water tray on the floor. Staff provide a range of activities to develop children's learning.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Children are confident for their age and accept people readily into their midst as staff are nearby to support them. Children settle in very quickly as staff spend time getting to know them and their routines. Children are encouraged to explore their environment freely and take small risks, managed by staff, which challenge and extend their learning. For example, balancing on equipment unaided or exploring the feel of rice in their hands, helps children develop confidence in their own abilities. Children know how to keep themselves safe. Staff help children behave with care towards one another even at a very young age. Children learn about the wider world, sing songs in different languages and explore natural materials around them.

Outcomes for children are good

All children make good progress given what they can do when they start. They use their senses to explore the world around them and make new discoveries. They develop secure early reading, writing and mathematical skills that help them become ready for their future schools.

Setting details

Unique reference number EY419815

Local authority Haringey

Inspection number 838752

Type of provision Full-time provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register

Age range of children 0 - 2

Total number of places 12

Number of children on roll 15

Name of provider Planet Tiny Limited

Date of previous inspection 27 April 2011

Telephone number 02083428612

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