

Dauxwood Pre School Group

Natts Lane, Billingshurst, RH14 9EY



Inspection date

24 May 2016

Previous inspection date

Not applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Outstanding	1
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Outstanding	1
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Outstanding	1
Outcomes for children		Outstanding	1

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is outstanding

- The quality of teaching is exemplary. Staff skilfully extend children's learning, consistently encouraging them to think for themselves and solve problems. Children delight in working things out and excitedly share their views and ideas.
- Staff provide parents with extensive support. For example, they constantly share detailed information about children's learning and value all information that is shared with them. Parents are completely involved in their children's learning.
- Staff are exceptionally caring and attentive to children's needs. They act as excellent role models and the children behave exceptionally well. For example, children have an excellent understanding of what staff expect and they treat others with great care, respect and consideration.
- Staff provide an outstanding learning environment for children, with extensive opportunities and resources for play, exploration and discovery. Children are exceptionally confident and highly motivated to learn. They develop extremely positive attitudes to learning and make excellent progress from their starting points.
- The manager and staff work extremely closely with parents and other professionals to identify further ways to improve. They are highly committed to continuously improving outcomes for children.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- continue to build on the excellent outdoor learning opportunities, to further encourage children's physical skills.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed teaching practices and their impact on children's learning.
- The inspector held discussions with the manager, staff, children and parents.
- The inspector read some of the setting's documentation, including the safeguarding policy and procedures.
- The inspector sampled children's development information and records.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the manager.

Inspector

Benjamin Parsons

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

The ambitious manager and enthusiastic staff team have worked extremely hard to maintain the outstanding quality of care and learning for all children. For example, they have recently introduced a new nature area where children are fully involved in growing vegetables and plants. The manager provides exceptional support for staff's professional development. For example, she accurately identifies aspects of their practice to further develop through relevant training. Safeguarding is effective. The manager ensures that all staff receive high levels of training to develop their excellent understanding of how to deal with any child protection concerns. Children's safety is a top priority for all staff.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

The manager and staff monitor all children's development extremely closely and they quickly identify any children who may need extra support. They make expert use of detailed assessments to provide consistently high levels of challenge to all children. Children have inspiring opportunities to explore and experience new things. For example, children thoroughly enjoy watering the seeds they have planted and delight in discussing the different things that plants need in order to grow. Staff extend children's natural play ideas extremely well. For example, they support children to use weighing scales to carefully measure soil and water as they excitedly make pretend cakes in the mud kitchen.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Children are exceptionally happy and enthusiastic about attending the pre-school. They consistently receive praise and encouragement throughout their play and take great pride in their achievements. For example, they celebrate and congratulate each other as they skilfully throw balls at challenging targets. Children are extremely confident and independent. For instance, they very skilfully and carefully cut fruit and grate carrot for their snack. Staff support children's physical well-being very well. For example, children confidently use challenging climbing equipment and enjoy regular exercise in the fresh air. However, the manager has identified the need to continue to develop the excellent outdoor area, to further support children's physical skills.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

All children are extremely motivated and engaged in their learning. They have an excellent understanding of technology, such as when confidently completing challenges on the computer. Children have excellent control over scissors and pay great attention to detail during creative activities. They skilfully read and write their own names. Children have excellent mathematical skills. For example, they confidently measure and compare weights and distances as they play. Children are excellent communicators and rapidly gain the confidence and skills needed for their next stages in learning and for school.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY486116
Local authority	West Sussex
Inspection number	1012197
Type of provision	Sessional provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register
Age range of children	2 - 4
Total number of places	24
Number of children on roll	54
Name of registered person	Dauxwood Pre School Committee
Registered person unique reference number	RP534335
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	01403 785212

Dauxwood Pre-school Group re-registered in 2015. It operates in Billingshurst, West Sussex. The pre-school is open Monday to Thursday between 9am and 4pm and on Friday between 9am and 1pm, during term time. The setting employs seven staff, six of whom hold an appropriate early years qualification at level 3. The pre-school receives funding for the provision of free early education for children aged two, three and four years.

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