Magic Roundabout Nurseries Ltd



141 Coronation Road, Southville, Bristol, BS3 1RE

Inspection date	24 October 2016
Previous inspection date	5 November 2015

The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Good	2
early years provision	Previous inspection:	Requires Improvement	3
Effectiveness of the leadership and mar	nagement	Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and assess	sment	Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and v	velfare	Good	2
Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- The manager and staff have a good understanding of how children learn. They plan a range of activities and experiences for children which ignites their interests and keeps them motivated. Children make good progress from their initial starting points.
- The manager and staff are good role models. Children demonstrate care and kindness towards each other. They share and take turns when using resources and invite each other into their play.
- Children grow in confidence and develop independence particularly well. They make choices about what they want to do. For example, they serve themselves at meal times, gain an understanding of eating healthily and take part in regular exercise.
- The manager and staff have worked hard since the last inspection, positively addressing all actions and recommendations raised. They know what the setting's current strengths and weaknesses are, and implement effective improvement plans to help continually raise standards and children's outcomes.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- At times, staff do not recognise some opportunities to extend children's early interests in mathematical language and concepts to the highest possible level.
- Staff do not gain detailed information from all parents about their children's learning at home, so that a more consistent approach can be established.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- develop staff's knowledge and understanding of how to further extend children's early interests in mathematical language and concepts to the highest levels
- explore more ways to gather information from parents about what their children are learning at home, to help consolidate and extend their learning further.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities indoors and outdoors, and assessed the impact these have on children's learning.
- The inspector sampled a range of documentation including attendance records; accident and incident records; staff suitability checks; the self-assessment information; children's observation, assessment and planning records; and documentation linked to managing children's progress.
- The inspector spoke with members of staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection and held meetings with members of the head office team and the nursery manager.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the deputy manager.
- The inspector took into account the views of parents and carers spoken to on the day of the inspection and from written feedback.

Inspector

Julie Swann

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. The manager and staff keep up to date with safeguarding training and are clear on how to report any concerns about a child's welfare. The manager has effective recruitment and induction procedures in place to help ensure staff's ongoing suitability. The manager regularly checks the progress all children make. For example, she tracks their learning and interventions are implemented where gaps are identified. The manager and staff are qualified and supported well by the head office team. For example, they have regular supervision and team meetings, and video record each other's practice, to help evaluate the consistency and impact of their teaching. The manager and staff are keen to further their professional skills. For example, they have accessed training to help narrow the gap in children's language development. Good links with local schools and other settings help to support continuity in care and parents speak positively of the nursery.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff have a good understanding of the age group they are working with. For example, they observe and assess children's development and plan challenging experiences that support each child's next steps in their learning. Older children demonstrate their listening and attention skills. For example, they follow conversational topics, competently answer questions and use new vocabulary such as 'crunchy' and 'delicate'. Younger children respond to and repeat some of the words and sounds they hear. Children have many opportunities to be creative and use their imagination. For example, older children pretend to make tea while waiting to board a flight, while younger children enjoy the sensory experience of paint and moulding dough. All children's literacy skills are developing well. Books, singing, reading and stories feature highly in the children's day.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

The key-person role is clearly defined and all children form strong emotional attachments with the adults who care for them. Children develop confidence to express themselves, while staff listen to children and let them know that their views are important. Children of all ages benefit from frequent opportunities to play outdoors. They extend their physical skills and learn to take risks as they play. Children develop their understanding of equality and diversity through a wide range of resources and activities.

Outcomes for children are good

Children are active and motivated learners who make good progress in readiness for school. Children develop their early reading and writing skills well. For example, some older children point out familiar words and letters in text and write their names, while younger children enjoy using pens to draw their pictures and make marks.

Setting details

Type of provision

Unique reference number 107009

Local authority Bristol City

Inspection number 1072342

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register

Age range of children 0 - 5

Total number of places 108

Number of children on roll 57

Name of registered person Magic Roundabout Nurseries Ltd

Registered person unique

reference number

RP907127

Full-time provision

Date of previous inspection 5 November 2015

Telephone number 0117 963 9800

Magic Roundabout Nurseries Limited registered in 2001 and is located in Southville, Bristol. The nursery opens Monday to Friday for 51 weeks of the year. Sessions are from 7.30am until 7pm. The nursery employs 21 members of childcare staff. Of these, two hold early years professional status, three hold an appropriate early years qualification at level 6, 11 hold level 3 qualifications and three are currently working towards gaining qualifications. The nursery receives funding for the provision of free early education for children aged three and four years old.

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