Lemongrove Nursery

2 Hook Farm Road, Bromley, BR2 9SX



Inspection date	9 November 2016
Previous inspection date	13 January 2014

	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 assessment		Good	2	
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Good	2	
	Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Staff provide a good range of activities that helps to support children's learning and development. Children make good progress with their learning.
- Leadership is strong. The manager works with staff to assess their practice, which helps them to identify further training needs. Recent training has included supporting children who have special educational needs or disability. This has helped staff to provide targeted support to meet children's individual needs.
- Staff work closely with parents. They regularly share children's next stages of learning and find out about what children are doing at home. Staff use this information to inform their planning and assessments. This helps provide good continuity of care and learning.
- Staff are all consistent in their approach to behaviour management. They teach children the importance of working together and sharing resources. Children behave well.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- At times, staff do not make the best possible use of resources to support younger children who speak English as an additional language to reach their full potential.
- Sometimes staff do not organise routines effectively, such as when younger children move between play areas. Children are left waiting and become restless.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- improve the use of resources to support younger children's understanding of their own languages and those of others
- improve routines when children move between different areas to prevent them becoming restless.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the children in the main play areas and the garden.
- The inspector spoke with the provider, manager, staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector carried out a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector sampled documents, including support for children who have special educational needs or disability and safeguarding policies.

Inspector

Rebecca Hurst

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The manager and staff have a good understanding of the requirements to keep children safe. They keep up to date with any changes to legislation. Staff work closely with social workers to share information to help to keep children safe. The manager monitors children's progress well to help her and the staff to close any gaps in their learning. They work with other professionals to support children who need help to catch up. The manager gathers the views of the parents and children and uses these to make changes to the setting. Recent changes have included involving parents when staff teach children about different cultural festivals. This helps to support children's understanding of the wider world around them.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff work together with parents to assess children's starting points and they use these to review the progress children are making. Staff carry out detailed assessments and gather information about children's interests and 'wow' moments from home. They successfully use this to inform their planning. They also make effective use of advice and targets set by other professionals to support children's individual learning needs. Staff support children to explore and solve problems. For example, they teach children how to use the drain pipes to roll balls down. Children learn that some balls of different sizes are not able to roll down. Staff teach the children how to use technology successfully. For example, children learn how to press different buttons on compact disc players to listen to, rewind and forward nursery rhymes.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff work closely with parents to manage children's behaviour. They support parents and give them strategies they can use together to help the children. They also work with other agencies to keep the children safe, regarding appropriate techniques to use to calm children down. Staff support younger children with their new-found skills in walking. They make sure floor spaces are clear, so they can practise walking safely.

Outcomes for children are good

Children develop the skills needed for the next stage of their learning and move to school. They develop good language skills. Older children learn about the solar system and discuss with staff the look and size of the different planets. This helps children to learn mathematical skills as they compare the sizes. Younger children develop good language skills. Staff respond well to their babbling, helping them to learn new words such as 'please' and 'thank you'.

Setting details

Unique reference number EY384857

Local authority Bromley

Inspection number 1077287

Type of provision Full-time provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register

Age range of children 0 - 5

Total number of places 43

Number of children on roll 58

Name of registered person Lemongrove Nursery Ltd.

Registered person unique

reference number

RP905521

Date of previous inspection 13 January 2014

Telephone number 02084 665 597

Lemongrove Day Nursery registered in 2009. It is situated in Bromley, in the London Borough of Bromley. The nursery is in receipt of funding to provide free early education to children aged two, three and four years. The nursery is open between 8am and 6pm each weekday for 50 weeks a year. There is currently a team of 20 staff. Of these, 15 staff hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 2 and above.

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