Rainbow Family Centre

11 Bravington Road, London, W9 3AB



Inspection date	24 January 2017
Previous inspection date	17 April 2013

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	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	Good	2
Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- The staff provide children with a wide range of interesting activities that engage them well. Children make good progress from their starting points.
- Children form secure relationships with the caring staff. This helps to support children's emotional well-being.
- The staff are good role models for the children to learn from. They support children to understand their expectations and to behave well.
- Partnerships with parents are very good. Parents report positively about the progress their children are making. The regular exchange of information helps to provide consistency for children's learning.
- The staff work collaboratively with a number of external professionals and services to improve outcomes for all children, including those who have special educational needs and/or disabilities.
- The manager and provider regularly review the provision and identify improvements to maintain good outcomes for children. They involve parents well in this process.

It is not yet outstanding because:

At times, staff miss opportunities to build on children's interest in activities to extend their thinking as fully as possible and to encourage their problem-solving skills.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

support the staff to make better use of opportunities that arise to extend children's thinking skills further and help them to solve problems more effectively.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the setting.
- The inspector observed teaching practice, including a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector held discussions with staff members and parents.
- The inspector reviewed some of the setting's policies and documents.

Inspector

Mary Butler

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Leaders evaluate the provision accurately to make improvements and maintain good outcomes for children. For example, assessment systems are changing so that children's progress is monitored in even more detail. The manager supports staff with their professional development, such as through regular supervision meetings. Staff benefit from tailored training opportunities to develop their teaching practice further and improve their qualifications. Arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Staff know the procedures to follow if they have concerns about a child's welfare. There are secure recruitment procedures in place to check the suitability of staff.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children enjoy a wide range of interesting activities that keep them engaged. Staff understand how children learn and develop, and they know the children in their care well. They use their observation and assessment skills to plan for each child's next steps in learning. Children are helped to develop their language skills. For example, they join in well with songs and number rhymes supported by the use of hand signing by staff. Children are provided with a range of activities to practise their early writing skills. For example, they choose colourful marker pens and paper to play together in the nursery garden. Staff regularly involve parents in their children's care and learning, such as through daily discussions about their progress.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff provide a welcoming and stimulating environment for children. An established keyperson system enables children to develop consistent relationships with staff. Settling-in routines are good. Staff gather information from parents about their children's care and learning needs at the outset, which helps to support children's well-being. Children's behaviour is good. Staff sensitively guide them to understand and participate in daily routines, such as small group activities. Children learn about healthy lifestyles. For example, they have daily access to fresh air and exercise. Children also enjoy nutritious meal choices and healthy snacks, such as fresh fruit.

Outcomes for children are good

All children make good progress, including those who have special educational needs and/or disabilities. Children gain important skills for their next stage of learning and move to school. For example, they develop appropriate social skills and a good knowledge of literacy and mathematics. Children learn to become independent, such as by managing their personal needs. Children also develop an awareness of different cultures and religions. For example, staff provide opportunities for them to explore a range of celebrations and traditions.

Setting details

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Local authority Westminster

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Type of provision Full-time provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Age range of children 2 - 4

Total number of places 26

Number of children on roll 18

Name of registered person The Westminster Society for People With Learning

Disabilities

Registered person unique

reference number

RP901713

Date of previous inspection 17 April 2013

Telephone number 020 8968 2690

Rainbow Family Centre nursery registered in 1999. It is situated in the City of Westminster. The nursery integrates additional provision and services for children who have special educational needs and/or disabilities. It operates weekdays between 8am and 6pm for 50 weeks of the year. It is linked to a drop-in crche facility and holiday club on the same premises. The nursery receives funding to provide free early education for children aged two, three and four years. A team of seven staff works with the children, four of whom hold relevant qualifications from level 3 to level 6.

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