# Rainbow Lodge

12 Elloughton Road, BROUGH, East Yorkshire, HU15 1AE



Inspection date	27 January 2017
Previous inspection date	2 August 2013

	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

- Strong relationships between the staff and parents help to ensure individual children's needs are successfully met. Regular communication in relation to children's learning contributes towards parents being fully involved.
- Staff promote good behaviour and use positive reinforcement and praise. For example, children are praised for being kind to one another.
- Caring and sensitive staff provide a nurturing environment where children are valued. This helps to foster a strong sense of belonging and community.
- Staff make effective use of discussions and useful questions when they play alongside children. This encourages children to think, investigate and use language to explain themselves.
- The manager and her team successfully evaluate their strengths and identify where they could improve. This helps them to improve outcomes for children and their families.

## It is not yet outstanding because:

- The procedures used for monitoring staff practice are not yet focused fully on raising the quality of teaching to an even higher level.
- Staff do not fully analyse the information they collate on children's achievements sharply enough to be sure that different groups are making equally rapid progress.

# What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- focus more precisely on the methods used to evaluate staff performance and drive the quality of teaching in the nursery to an even higher level
- enhance the monitoring of groups of children and accelerate all children's progress in all areas of learning.

## **Inspection activities**

- The inspector viewed all areas of the premises used by children.
- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector engaged in discussions with staff and children throughout the inspection at appropriate times.
- The inspector carried out a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the nursery manager. The inspector checked evidence of suitability and qualifications of staff working with children.
- The inspector discussed the nursery's self-evaluation and the impact this has on the setting.
- The inspector took account of the views of parents and carers spoken to on the day of inspection.

#### **Inspector**

Kerry Holder

# **Inspection findings**

## Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. The manager and her staff team are knowledgeable about the signs of abuse and neglect and have attended relevant training. They are fully aware of the reporting procedures in the event of a child protection concern. Staff regularly assess risks in the environment and implement a good range of policies and procedures to help keep children safe. An established system of frequent staff meetings and supervisions helps staff to feel valued. Staff are well qualified. They use their knowledge effectively to ensure children receive good quality care and learning experiences. Staff take effective steps to ensure children are well prepared for changes in their future learning. For example, they have established excellent links with local schools. Parents spoken to on the day comment on how happy they are with the nursery.

## Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff offer children a wide range of exciting and challenging opportunities to learn. For example, good quality interactions effectively help to develop children's knowledge of letters and sounds. Activities include group singing times and games during which staff encourage children to take part and use their critical thinking. These opportunities help to motivate and engage children in their learning. Staff successfully nurture babies' attempts at early communication. For example, they copy the sounds they make and repeat words to aid their pronunciation. Observations on children's understanding and learning are used effectively to inform planning. This helps staff to identify gaps in children's learning and development and to plan what they need to learn next. Children are challenged appropriately and make good progress in their learning.

# Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff gather detailed information from parents prior to children starting at the setting. This contributes towards staff meeting children's needs from the outset. Staff comfort new children who are settling in. This helps to support their emotional well-being. Babies have good opportunities to explore and investigate their immediate environment. Children have many opportunities to become independent. For example, at lunchtime older children are encouraged to serve their own food and pour their own drinks. They learn how to take care of their personal needs and why hygiene routines are important. Children have plenty of outdoor learning, enjoying fresh air and physical activities. They eat healthy meals and begin to understand healthy lifestyles. Staff are keen to ensure children's safety. They provide high levels of support for children who have medical or dietary requirements.

#### Outcomes for children are good

All children make good progress. They lead their own play and choose their resources. This helps to build their confidence and enhances their learning opportunities. Older children engage in activities that support their mathematical skills. For example, they learn to read numerals and develop competent counting skills. Children are confident individuals who feel good about themselves. Their physical skills are developing well, for example, young children build towers from wooden blocks and older children play football outdoors. Children are well prepared for the next stage in their learning and school.

# **Setting details**

**Unique reference number** EY260996

**Local authority** East Riding of Yorkshire

**Inspection number** 1064436

**Type of provision** Full-time provision

**Day care type**Childcare - Non-Domestic

**Registers** Early Years Register

Age range of children 0 - 4

Total number of places 40

Number of children on roll 62

Name of registered person Lee Wilkinson and Janet Wilkinson Partnership

Registered person unique

reference number

RP909913

**Date of previous inspection** 2 August 2013

Telephone number 01482 668556

Rainbow Lodge was registered in 2003. The nursery employs 14 members of childcare staff. Of these, 13 hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3 or above, including one staff member with early years professional status. The nursery opens from Monday to Friday all year round, except for one week at Christmas. Sessions are from 7.45am until 6pm. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

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