Little Treasures Childcare Ltd.



Trinity Methodist Church Community Centre, Codsall, WV8 2ER

Inspection date	15 February 2017
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Good	2
early years provision	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and ma	anagement	Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and asses	ssment	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 demonstrate warmth and availability towards children, comforting them when they need support. This fosters children's emotional attachments, helps them to settle in quickly and become ready to learn.
- Staff use meaningful praise with children throughout the session. This helps children to develop their confidence. Children are encouraged to recall the rules of playing with their friends each morning. This helps them learn to behave well and to develop strong friendships and respect for others around them.
- Staff have developed positive relationships with parents, other providers, professionals and the local schools. This helps staff to ensure that there is continuity and consistency for each child's care and learning.
- The management team ensures that the parents, children and all staff are fully included in the self-evaluation of the pre-school. This helps to identify any targets that need to be focused on, so that the quality of the setting continues to improve over time.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not provide the same level of opportunity for children who prefer to learn outdoors, as that which is available for children who prefer to play and learn indoors.
- Staff do not consistently give children enough opportunities to develop their thinking or express their own ideas.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- provide further opportunities for children who like to play outdoors to build successfully on their learning in their preferred environment
- give children more opportunities and the time they need to think about and express their ideas, and to demonstrate their understanding.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities indoors and outdoors, and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the pre-school manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the pre-school manager and provider. She looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the pre-school.
- The inspector spoke with staff and children during the inspection.
- The inspector spoke to a number of parents during the inspection and took account of their views.

Inspector

Mary Henderson

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. All staff have a secure awareness of what to do should there be a concern about a child in their care. Staff assess any possible hazards and remove these before the children arrive each day. This helps to keep children safe and well. The manager is a positive role model for staff. She observes their teaching practice and provides good opportunities for them to discuss their training needs and any concerns. The manager and staff work closely together to ensure the activities provided support children's interests and are appropriately stimulating and challenging. This helps to ensure that outcomes for children are good.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children enjoy exploring media. Staff encourage children to use their senses to identify what the rice smells like and what it feels like. Staff provide a range of tools to help children develop dexterity as they scoop up the rice and pour it into containers. Children mould, cut and roll out dough, putting it in the play cooker during imaginary play. During these times, staff encourage children to think about numbers, shapes and positional concepts. Staff ensure that all areas of the pre-school provide a broad range of explorative and investigative opportunities for children. They join in with children's play throughout the session. This positive interaction and engagement, helps to support children across all areas of their learning. Key persons accurately assess children's progress and identify and target what children need to learn next.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children learn about the importance of a healthy diet and lifestyle. They identify a range of local and exotic fruits as part of their activities prior to preparing these for their snack. Staff and children discuss how healthy food helps us grow. They recall the various vegetables they have grown in their garden patch. During outdoor playtimes, children take manageable risks in their play as they climb, balance and run around in the fresh air chasing their friends.

Outcomes for children are good

Children learn about similarities and differences between themselves and others. They explore a range of festivals and play with toys that depict positive images of diversity. Children develop an enjoyment of books as they become engaged during story time. They have lots of opportunities to make marks during indoor and outdoor playtimes. Children are growing in confidence and independence. They are keen to be involved in keeping their environment tidy. All children, including those in receipt of funding for early education, are making good progress and gaining the skills they need in readiness for starting school.

Setting details

Unique reference number EY536014

Local authority Staffordshire

Inspection number 1060801

Type of provision Sessional provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register

Age range of children 2 - 4

Total number of places 52

Number of children on roll 23

Name of registered person Little Treasures Childcare Limited Ltd.

Registered person unique

reference number

RP902702

Date of previous inspectionNot applicable

Telephone number 07841 480223

Little Treasures Childcare Ltd. was registered in 2016. The pre-school employs three members of childcare staff. Of these, two hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. The pre-school opens from Monday to Friday, term time only. Sessions are from 9.15am until 12.15pm. The pre-school provides funded early education for two-, three-and four-year-old children.

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