

# Kicker And Dribblers Day Nursery And Preschool

Tannery Ground, Middle Brooks, Street, Somerset, BA16 0TA



## Inspection date

31 May 2017

Previous inspection date

28 May 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Outstanding	1
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Outstanding	1
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Outstanding	1
Outcomes for children		Outstanding	1

## Summary of key findings for parents

### This provision is outstanding

- The management's inspirational leadership encourages the staff team to drive forward improvements. Staff feel highly valued and motivated by the focused responsibilities that they share and carry out with passion and commitment.
- Staff are extremely dedicated and highly qualified. They demonstrate an exceptional understanding of how children learn. They plan highly stimulating activities, based around children's individual interests. They use very precise and accurate assessments to effectively plan for children's next steps in learning.
- Children have built very strong bonds with their key person. They thrive in the staff's care and greet them with enthusiasm on arrival. Children are very happy and they respond well to praise, which raises their confidence and self-esteem.
- Partnerships with parents, professionals and other settings are superb. Staff share information very effectively to involve everyone in the children's care to ensure that they quickly identify and meet all children's needs.
- The manager supports staff extremely well to build on their already excellent skills and knowledge. For example, she has embedded a highly effective system of observation and supervision for all staff.

## **What the setting needs to do to improve further**

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

- provide more opportunities for babies to explore how mechanical toys work.

### **Inspection activities**

- The inspector observed staff and children inside and outside.
- The inspector spoke with staff, the manager and the owner.
- The inspector sampled documentation, including policies, the self-evaluation form and children's records.
- The inspector carried out a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector spoke to some parents to gain their views on the day of inspection.

### **Inspector**

Katherine Lamb

## Inspection findings

### Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. Management and staff have a comprehensive understanding of what to do if they are concerned about the well-being of a child. They follow strict recruitment procedures and thorough induction processes prepare staff well for their roles. Staff share excellent practice between themselves and they frequently evaluate the overall quality of teaching. Staff work closely as a team to implement any ongoing quality improvements that they have identified during evaluations of their practice. For example, they have introduced specific sessions to support children's speech and language, and staff have received detailed training to give them the skills to do this. The management seeks the important views of parents and children, and their ideas are valued and taken into account when reviewing the high-quality provision.

### Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Staff effectively use their excellent teaching skills and extensive early years knowledge to create highly inspiring learning opportunities. Older children follow recipe cards to make playdough to share with their friends. They concentrate well and carefully count out how much flour they need. Younger children role play using telephones, showing they have developed excellent conversation skills as they chatter away. Babies confidently explore resources in their room. However, there are times when staff are too quick to show them how mechanical toys work. Children of all ages are highly motivated as they sit down and sing a favourite song. Children very proudly and confidently, when chosen by staff, come to the bag and choose resources or song cards. Then with great enthusiasm, they sing the song and repeat the songs and actions accurately and precisely.

### Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Children relish cuddles and reassurance, and have very sensitive interactions with staff. This helps to build on their confidence and they develop an excellent sense of belonging. Staff support young children exceptionally well to learn about feelings as they talk about what makes them happy and sad. Older children develop excellent physical skills using a range of challenging equipment in the garden. All children develop exceptional social skills. They play harmoniously together, take turns and behave extremely well.

### Outcomes for children are outstanding

All children make excellent progress relative to their starting points. They thrive in the stimulating and wholly inclusive environment. Older boys use spontaneous opportunities to practise their writing in flour, showing which letters they can write. Babies develop good early writing skills using paint and crayons. Toddlers are very independent and enjoy the challenge of putting on and taking off dressing-up clothes. Staff prepare children exceptionally well for their next stage in learning and for their move on to school.

## Setting details

<b>Unique reference number</b>	EY216176
<b>Local authority</b>	Somerset
<b>Inspection number</b>	1091306
<b>Type of provision</b>	Full-time provision
<b>Day care type</b>	Childcare - Non-Domestic
<b>Registers</b>	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
<b>Age range of children</b>	0 - 5
<b>Total number of places</b>	57
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	54
<b>Name of registered person</b>	Cassandra Leigh and Annmarie Leigh Partnership
<b>Registered person unique reference number</b>	RP910488
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	28 May 2015
<b>Telephone number</b>	01458445987

Kicker and Dribblers Day Nursery and Preschool registered in 2002 and is located in the town of Street, Somerset. The nursery is open all year round, from 7.30am until 6pm on Monday to Friday. It closes at Christmas and for bank holidays. There are 12 staff who work with the children, including a cook. There are three members of staff qualified to level 5, six to level 3 and two to level 2.

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