Jelly Beans Pre-School Day Nursery



Field View, Kingsnorth, Ashford, Kent, TN23 3NZ

Inspection date	6 June 2017
Previous inspection date	26 January 2017

The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Inadequate	4
early years provision	Previous inspection:	Requires Improvement	3
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Inadequate	4
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Inadequate	4
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Inadequate	4
Outcomes for children		Inadequate	4

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is inadequate

- Children's safety is compromised. Staff do not understand the 'Prevent' duty guidance or the procedures to follow if they have safeguarding concerns about a staff member.
- The provider has failed to make sure staffing arrangements are organised so that children are supervised appropriately to ensure their safety.
- Teaching is weak. Staff do not plan challenging, motivating experiences and activities to meet children's individual learning needs. This means that children become disinterested and do not make good progress in their learning.
- The provider does not ensure that staff have a full understanding of their role as key person. This means children are not supported effectively as they settle in and their individual needs are not met.
- Staff do not ensure that children make good progress in developing their communication and language or their mathematical skills.
- Staff do not provide opportunities for children to use their home language to support their language development.
- The provider has failed to improve the quality of the nursery. Not enough has been done to ensure weaknesses in staff's practice are identified and addressed.

It has the following strengths

Staff share information with parents about their child's learning and care.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

The provision is inadequate and Ofsted intends to take enforcement action

We will issue a Welfare Requirements Notice requiring the provider to:

		Due Date
	ensure that all staff understand safeguarding policy and procedures and have up-to-date knowledge of safeguarding issues, with particular regard to the procedure to follow should they have concerns about another staff member and knowledge of the 'Prevent' duty	30/06/2017
•	ensure that staffing arrangements and staff deployment are sufficient to maintain adequate supervision that meets the needs of all children and ensures their safety	30/06/2017
•	implement an effective key-person system to ensure that every child's care is tailored to meet their needs and provides a settled relationship for the child	30/06/2017
	put in place appropriate arrangements for the supervision of staff, providing support, coaching and training to ensure children receive a good-quality learning and development experience; in particular with regard to ensuring that any training is embedded in staff practice.	30/06/2017

To meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage the provider must:

	Due Date
improve the quality of teaching and staff interactions to ensure children are provided with interesting and challenging activities that take into account each child's individual learning needs so that they make good progress	30/08/2017
extend staff's understanding of how to develop children's communication and language skills	30/08/2017
give children opportunities to develop their home language	30/08/2017
extend staff's understanding of how to develop children's mathematical language and skills.	30/08/2017

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities and the quality of teaching indoors and outside.
- The inspector sampled a range of documentation, including key policies and procedures and children's records.
- The inspector took account of parents' views through discussions.
- The inspector spoke to the manager, regional operational manager, members of staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector and manager observed and discussed a planned activity. They held meetings to discuss children's progress, staff supervision, training, safeguarding and how the management team evaluates practice.

Inspector

Maxine Ansell

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is inadequate

Safeguarding is not effective. Staff are not fully aware of the 'Prevent duty guidance'. Staff do not know who to contact should they have safeguarding concerns about a member of staff or if they feel a safeguarding incident has not been dealt with effectively. Nevertheless, all staff have received safeguarding training and they have an understanding about the signs and symptoms of abuse. The provider does not ensure that staffing arrangements meet the needs of all children and they are not supervised effectively. For example, during the inspection, children were left in a room without an adult to care for them for a short amount of time. This put children at risk of harm. The provider does not review staff's teaching or identify weaknesses in their understanding and practice. Staff have extended their professional development by undertaking some appropriate training. However, they do not use this new knowledge to improve their teaching and children do not learn as much as they could as a result.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is inadequate

Staff do not provide sufficient activities that offer enough challenge to meet children's learning needs. Children make limited progress. At times the quality of teaching is poor. Children are too often left to develop their own play and this leads to children devising disruptive games. For example, they jump over chairs or see how far they can throw toys. Staff have attended a range of training opportunities, such as courses to support all children to develop their language. However, they do not apply what they have learned well enough to have a positive impact on children's communication and language skills. In addition, children are not given opportunities to use their home language in the nursery. Staff do not do enough to ensure that children are developing their mathematical skills. For example, they do not help children to understand size as they move pasta from large to small pans.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are inadequate

Weaknesses in leadership and management mean children's safety is compromised. Staff are not vigilant enough to ensure that children are kept safe. Although each child is assigned a key person, some staff do not fully understand this role. They do not know their role is to help children become familiar with the nursery or ensure that each child's care is tailored to meet their individual needs. Children have daily access to the outdoors area to develop their physical skills. There are systems in place to keep children well. Staff make sure children put on sun cream and hats before going outdoors on a hot day, for example. Water is available for children to drink at all times.

Outcomes for children are inadequate

Children's welfare and learning are not supported sufficiently as there are significant weaknesses in staff's knowledge and practice. Activities provided do not sufficiently help children to develop further skills, particularly in their communication and language and mathematical development. This means they are not making enough progress from their starting points and are not prepared effectively for school.

Setting details

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Local authority Kent

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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 0 - 4

Total number of places 100

Number of children on roll 77

Name of registered person

Jelly Beans Day Nursery Ashford Ltd

Registered person unique

reference number

RP531739

Date of previous inspection 26 January 2017

Telephone number 01233 501455

Jelly Beans Pre-School Day Nursery registered in 2012. The nursery is open each weekday from 7.30am to 6pm, for 52 weeks of the year. The nursery receives funding for the provision of free early education for children aged two, three and four years. There are 17 members of staff working with the children, 13 of whom hold appropriate early years qualifications.

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