

Little Angels Day Nursery

East Tilbury Children's Centre, Princess Margaret Road, Tilbury, Essex, RM18 8SB



Inspection date

22 June 2017

Previous inspection date

31 March 2014

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 inspirational manager has very high expectations of herself and the staff. She leads her staff team exceptionally well to deliver the highest standards of practice, so that all children make the best possible progress.
- The caring, family atmosphere of the nursery enables children to feel extremely secure and happy. Children develop exceptionally strong attachments with their key person. They settle very well, and are highly motivated to play and learn. Parents are very complimentary about the care and education their children receive.
- Partnerships with parents and other professionals are outstanding. Senior staff use these to ensure that all children, and especially those who have special educational needs and/or disabilities, have their needs quickly identified and extremely well met.
- The cultural diversity of the children is respected and valued. Staff support children who speak English as an additional language very well. They make use of visual signs, books, posters and parent contributions to help all children to respect other languages and cultures.
- The provider and management team are extremely ambitious and reflective, and continually identify areas that can be further enhanced. They have developed innovative ways to gather the views of staff, parents and children.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- continue to consider additional strategies to involve parents in children's learning at home, in order to further enhance the already excellent partnerships with parents.

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 spoke with staff and children during the inspection.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the nursery manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the nursery manager and provider. She looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the nursery.
- The inspector spoke to many parents during the inspection and took account of their views.

Inspector

Jacqui Oliver

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

The provider, manager and staff are extremely passionate about their work and are dedicated to providing high-quality care and learning for all children attending. The rigorous monitoring of all aspects of the nursery enables them to clearly target and continue to strengthen practice. They fully recognise the importance of enhancing the already excellent partnerships they have with parents by involving them even more in their children's learning. The manager provides high-quality supervision, training and guidance to support all staff. Safeguarding is effective. Staff have an excellent knowledge of the current procedures to follow should they have any concerns about children's welfare. Documentation is maintained to a very high standard and all records required for the safe and efficient management of the nursery are in place.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Children are extremely confident and have great fun as they learn. Staff interact particularly well with children and expertly use all opportunities to support their learning. They skilfully encourage children's confidence and speaking skills. Children enjoy sharing stories, singing songs and playing number games using the interactive whiteboard. Staff in the baby room use sign language and gestures very effectively to help the younger children to communicate. Children are offered a wealth of opportunities in the superb outdoor play area. They have fun riding their bicycles on the racetrack, exploring in the mud kitchen and waving their rainbow wands.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Children's behaviour is exemplary. They share, take turns and play very well together. Children form warm and close attachments with their key person, which supports their emotional development exceptionally well. Babies receive individual attention and enjoy cuddles with staff as they play and explore in familiar, homely and attractive surroundings. Children enjoy a varied range of nutritious meals and snacks. All food is freshly prepared at the nursery to support healthy lifestyles. Children have amazing opportunities outdoors which encourage them to learn to take risks safely and to develop excellent physical skills.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Children flourish in this vibrant and stimulating nursery. All children make outstanding progress from their starting points. They show high levels of concentration and perseverance during their play. Children learn about sitting quietly and taking directions, such as circle and story time. They are developing excellent early reading and writing skills. As a result, children are exceptionally well prepared for their next stage in learning, including going to school.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY469288
Local authority	Thurrock
Inspection number	1088227
Type of provision	Full-time provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	0 - 11
Total number of places	120
Number of children on roll	206
Name of registered person	LADN Limited
Registered person unique reference number	RP533071
Date of previous inspection	31 March 2014
Telephone number	01375841100

Little Angels Day Nursery registered in 2009. The nursery employs 23 members of childcare staff. Of these, 20 hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 2, 3 and 5. There is one qualified teacher. The nursery opens from Monday to Friday, all year round. Sessions are from 8am until 6pm. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children. It supports children who speak English as an additional language and children who have special educational needs and/or disabilities.

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