Happy Feet Day Nursery Limited



Clowes House, 319 Bury New Road, SALFORD, M7 2YN

Inspection date24 AugPrevious inspection date23 Febr		st 2017 ary 2017	
The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Requires Improvement	3
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

- Leaders, managers and staff carry out regular monitoring of the progress that children make. This helps to ensure that staff are able to identify at the earliest opportunity, when children require additional support. Consequently, all children make very good progress.
- The quality of teaching is good. Staff provide a wide range of challenging activities that helps children to develop a broad range of skills that prepares them for the next steps in their learning. This helps to ensure that children are well supported in readiness for their eventual move on to school.
- Staff are positive role models to children. They provide clear guidance for children about how they should behave. Staff adhere to consistent strategies for managing children's behaviour. This helps to support children's good behaviour and helps children to feel safe at the nursery.
- There is a well-established key-person system, which helps children to develop secure attachments. Staff are kind, responsive and caring towards the children in their care. This helps to promote children's emotional well-being.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not provide every possible opportunity for children to learn about the wider world, other people and communities.
- Occasionally, staff do not always do as much as possible to increase children's independence skills.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- increase opportunities that help to increase children's understanding of the differences between themselves and others
- provide additional opportunities to help children to develop their independence skills.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching delivered by staff in each of the children's playrooms and the outdoor area.
- The inspector carried out two joint observations of a circle and snack time with the nominated individual for the nursery.
- The inspector spoke with parents, staff and children and reviewed the nursery's selfevaluation form.
- The inspector reviewed the planning of activities and children's developmental records to assess the progress that children are making.
- The inspector held a meeting with the nominated individual and the deputy manager. She looked at policies and procedures and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the nursery.

Inspector

Sarah Dimsdale

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. Staff are well qualified and have a good understanding of how to keep children safe. For example, they carry out daily risk assessments of the premises and are familiar with the procedures for reporting any concerns that they may have about children in their care. This helps to keep children safe. Leaders and managers carry out regular observations of staff's practice to ensure continued improvement. Leaders and managers regularly evaluate the strengths and areas to improve at the nursery. They take account of the views of children, parents and staff. This helps to ensure that future training and improvements are well targeted and are effective at improving the quality of the nursery.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children are highly motivated to learn new things. This is because staff plan a wide range of activities that fully supports their interests and meet their individual needs. Children develop a good range of communication skills. For example, staff encourage the children to learn new words and sounds during circle-time activities. This helps to ensure that children develop good communication skills from an early age. Children thoroughly enjoy growing their own herbs in the nursery garden, which helps to support their understanding of the world. However, staff provide more limited opportunities for children develop their understanding of the differences between themselves and others. Staff work closely with parents to support children's learning at home. Partnerships with parents are strong.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff have created a stimulating and welcoming environment. This helps to ensure that children feel secure at the nursery. Children receive a wide range of healthy snacks and meals and enjoy regular physical activity in the outdoor area. This supports children to lead healthy lifestyles. Mealtimes are a sociable occasion where children enjoy sitting with their key person and their peers. Children receive some opportunities to promote their independence skills, for example, they put on their own coats for outdoor play. However, staff do not always give children the opportunity to develop and practise their independence skills to the highest levels.

Outcomes for children are good

Staff regularly observe and assess children's progress. This includes completing the progress check for children aged between two- and three-year-old. This helps staff to identify when children are at risk of falling behind. Staff promptly plan activities to close the gaps in learning for any children that are working below the expected age range levels. Consequently, all children make good progress in their learning and development. This prepares them well in readiness for school. The nursery has developed strong links with external professionals. This helps to ensure that there is a cohesive approach to supporting children's learning.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY493177	
Local authority	Salford	
Inspection number	1086660	
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 - 4	
Total number of places	42	
Number of children on roll	28	
Name of registered person	Happy Feet Day Nursery Limited	
Registered person unique reference number	RP904174	
Date of previous inspection	23 February 2017	
Telephone number	0161 312 4821	

Happy Feet Day Nursery Limited registered in 2015. The nursery employs eight members of childcare staff, including the provider and nursery manager. Of these, five members of staff hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. One member of staff holds a level 6 qualification in Early Childhood Studies and one member of staff is unqualified. The nursery manager holds an early years qualification at level 4. The nursery opens from Monday to Friday all year round except for bank holidays and one week at Christmas. Sessions are from 7am until 6pm. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

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