# Abbey Wood Grange Day Nursery



16 Church Road, Kenley, South Croydon, Surrey, CR8 5DU

Inspection date	14 September 2017
Previous inspection date	27 May 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Requires improvement	3
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and mar	nagement	Requires improvement	3
Quality of teaching, learning and assess	sment	Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and v	velfare	Requires improvement	3
Outcomes for children		Good	2

# Summary of key findings for parents

#### This provision requires improvement. It is not yet good because:

- The management team does not ensure that all staff have a secure understanding of the 'Prevent' duty guidance, as required.
- Staff do not follow appropriate hygiene routines when providing bedding for children requiring sleep. Their practice does not minimise the risk of the spread of infection.
- The management team does not reflect on its practice well enough to identify all areas for development, to improve the overall quality of the provision to benefit children.
- On occasions, staff do not take the opportunity to include children who are quieter in the setting in some activities that they provide.

#### It has the following strengths

- Staff are kind and meet individual children's needs well overall. They are experienced and know how to communicate with children effectively to enhance their learning.
- Staff carry out regular observations and assessments, and plan for children's learning effectively. All children, including those who require additional support and those who speak English as additional language, make good progress from their starting points.
- Staff work well in partnership with parents. They exchange information about children's learning effectively to provide continuity in their development.
- Children learn how to lead healthy lifestyles. They enjoy a range of daily opportunities to explore outdoors and they benefit from the healthy and nutritious meals they eat.

## What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

#### **Due Date**

- strengthen staff's understanding of wider aspects of safeguarding, 01/11/2017
  in particular the 'Prevent' duty guidance
- improve hygiene procedures, including providing clean bedding for 02/10/2017 each child and ensuring that the storage of bedding minimises the risk of cross-infection.

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

- use self-evaluation more effectively to identify and address all weaknesses, to improve the quality of the provision for children
- provide more opportunities for children who are quieter in the setting to be included in the range of activities, to enhance their learning even further.

#### **Inspection activities**

- The inspectors carried out this inspection following the risk assessment process.
- The inspectors observed the quality of teaching and interactions between staff and children, and looked at the impact this has on children's learning.
- The lead inspector completed a joint observation with the operations manager. She held a meeting with the management team.
- The inspectors spoke to staff, children and parents at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The lead inspector sampled a range of documentation, including children's assessments and evidence of staff's suitability and their qualifications.

#### **Inspector**

Katarina Hustava

## **Inspection findings**

#### Effectiveness of the leadership and management requires improvement

The management team does not ensure that staff fully understand the wider aspects of safeguarding. For instance, staff do not have a rigorous understanding of the 'Prevent' duty guidance. However, the management team has recognised this and arranged training to develop staff's knowledge of this matter. Staff know how to recognise signs of abuse and neglect and how to report their concerns to protect children. The management team ensures that staff-to-child ratios meet requirements and it monitors staff deployment to help keep children safe. It follows rigorous recruitment procedures and ensures that only suitable people are left unsupervised with the children. Safeguarding is effective. Staff are well qualified and experienced, and know how to support and monitor children's learning successfully. The management team provides regular supervision, training and guidance for staff to enhance their professional skills and knowledge.

## Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff plan for children's learning successfully from the start. Babies and toddlers receive lots of caring attention. Staff encourage very young children to repeat words to extend their vocabulary. Staff in pre-school rooms use their skills to question children and build on their problem-solving skills. They encourage babies and toddlers to explore different textures, such as sand and paint. Older children engage in a range of activities to extend their learning. For instance, children draw using stencils, paint creative pictures and practise their early writing skills. Staff talk to children during pretend play to build on their learning. For example, outdoors, children decide to be pirates on the ship and staff talk to them about directions to enhance their early mathematical skills.

## Personal development, behaviour and welfare require improvement

Staff give children blankets that have been used by others for sleeping. They store used mats and sheets on top of each other daily. This risks cross-infection and does not assure children's welfare. However, the management team is arranging for individual bags to be used to keep children's bedding separate, to address this issue. Sleeping children are suitably monitored. The management team and staff successfully meet children's dietary requirements to promote their good health. Toileting and nappy changing routines are appropriate. Staff support children well when they move from one room to another. For instance, they provide comforting toys to help settle children. Since the last inspection, staff offer more opportunities for children to develop independence. Staff are positive role models. They teach children to respect and value others and they praise good behaviour.

#### Outcomes for children are good

Children make good progress from their starting points and learn a range of skills that helps to prepare them for school. They enjoy books and talk about pictures and stories. Children are imaginative and enjoy dressing up and creating a range of scenes during play, such as a building site outdoors. They develop good social skills, cooperate with their friends and behave well. Children enjoy counting and sorting games and engage in making patterns during creative activities. Children are happy and active learners.

## **Setting details**

**Unique reference number** EY330257

**Local authority** Croydon **Inspection number** 1113141

**Type of provision** Full-time provision

Day care type Childcare - Non-Domestic

**Registers** Early Years Register

Age range of children 0 - 4

Total number of places 106

Number of children on roll 149

Name of registered person Highfield Nursery Ltd

Registered person unique RP526089

reference number

**Date of previous inspection** 27 May 2015

**Telephone number** 020 866 09040

Abbey Wood Grange Day Nursery registered in 2006. The nursery is located in Kenley, in South Croydon, Surrey. It is open from 7.30am to 6pm on Monday to Friday, and operates throughout the year, with the exception of bank holidays. The nursery receives funding for free early education for children aged two, three and four years. There are 27 staff who work directly with the children. Of these, three hold early years foundation degrees, one holds a relevant qualification at level 4, 16 at level 3 and five at level 2. There is also a chef, his assistant and a cleaner working on the premises.

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