Shipton Preschool And Toddlers Group



Forest Of Galtres Anglican Methodist Primary School, Station Lane, Shipton By Beningbrough, York, YO30 1AG

Inspection date	13 October 2017
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Good	2
early years provision	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and m	anagement	Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and asse	essment	Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and	l welfare	Good	2
Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Staff are well qualified. The quality of their teaching is good. They plan a stimulating learning environment with activities that help children to make good progress in their learning.
- Partnerships with the host school are strong. A detailed improvement plan is in place to strengthen links even further and support children's outcomes over time.
- Parents are delighted with the quality of the pre-school. They speak highly of how well staff support children and how they enjoy finding out what their children have been learning.
- Good opportunities are provided for children to develop their independence skills and promote their good health, overall. Younger children quickly learn routine activities, such as washing their own hands, prior to eating.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- The information staff gain from parents when children first start attending the nursery is not always detailed enough to clearly establish children's starting points, and measure their progress from the outset.
- Children are not always encouraged to develop a deep enough understanding of practices, such as safe food preparation, to promote their safety and good health.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- strengthen the information gathered from parents about children's current levels of development when they first start, to establish their starting points more clearly and promote rapid progress from the outset
- help children to develop a deeper understanding of routine practices that helps to promote their safety and good health.

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 pre-school manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the pre-school manager. She looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the pre-school.
- The inspector spoke to a number of parents during the inspection and took account of their views.

Inspector

Nicola Jones

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Staff have a good understanding of child protection issues and their responsibility to keep children safe. They know what action to take should they be concerned about a child's welfare or to manage any allegation made against the staff team. Children's assessment information is reviewed regularly by the manager. This helps to identify areas where children may require additional support and intervention from external professionals, to meet their individual learning needs, overall. A good overview is maintained of the educational activities provided for children. The manager works alongside staff, ensuring activities reflect children's interests and stage of development. Staff are supported well to improve the effectiveness of their teaching. They benefit from ongoing supervision meetings and training opportunities and show a positive attitude to improving their skills even further.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Support for young children's developing communication skills is good. Staff use effective strategies to help children develop their growing vocabulary, and pronounce words in the correct way. For example, when children say 'orse', staff say 'yes, this is a horse'. Older children are supported to develop their thinking skills. They play with resources, such as conkers, and give their own explanation about where they come from. Children talk confidently and make comments, such as 'I think they come from the forest'. Staff know children well. They make regular observations of their learning as they play, and plan activities that help children develop the skills they need to learn next. For example, when children show an interest in writing their name, staff provide trays of sand and brushes. Children show curiosity in this activity and begin to use the brushes to form clearly identifiable letters from their name. This helps support their literacy skills very well.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children are happy and thoroughly enjoy attending the friendly, welcoming and stimulating pre-school. They develop strong relationships with staff and other children who attend. They are developing into confident learners. Staff support younger children particularly well when they begin to stay for short periods, without their parents. Information is gathered from parents regarding children's emotional and physical well-being. This provides continuity in the care children receive.

Outcomes for children are good

Although some children have only been attending for a relatively short period, they are beginning to show signs of making good progress in their learning. Older children, who have attended for longer, make consistently good progress over time. Children develop a good range of skills and knowledge that supports their readiness for school. Children are motivated learners who listen attentively during group storytimes. They join in with key words and phrases from their favourite books and like to perform actions, such as pressing buttons, to create sound effects.

Setting details

Unique reference number EY549859

Local authority North Yorkshire

Inspection number 1112790

Type of provision Sessional provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register

Age range of children 2 - 3

Total number of places 16

Number of children on roll 13

Name of registered person Shipton Pre-School and Toddlers

Registered person unique

reference number

RP518624

Date of previous inspectionNot applicable

Telephone number 07764408353

Shipton Preschool and Toddlers Group registered in 2017. The setting employs five members of childcare staff. Of these, all hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3 or above, including the manager who holds early years professional status. The setting opens on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, during term time only, from 9.15am until 3.15pm. The setting provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

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