Kirkby on Bain Nursery

Wharf Lane, Kirkby on Bain, Woodhall Spa, Lincs, LN10 6YW



Inspection date	20 November 2017
Previous inspection date	16 December 2014

The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Inadequate	4
early years provision	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and ma	nagement	Inadequate	4
Quality of teaching, learning and asses	sment	Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and v	welfare	Inadequate	4
Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is inadequate

- The provider has not provided Ofsted with the information needed to check the suitability of all committee members.
- Training for staff is mainly based on essential requirements, such as child protection. This means that training is not sufficiently focused on raising the quality of teaching practice and staff interactions with children to the highest possible level.
- The manager and staff are not successful in sharing information about individual children with other settings they attend to promote continuity of learning.

It has the following strengths

- Children are confident and keen to explore the well-equipped room when they arrive. Staff promote their independence well. Children serve their own drinks and select tissues to manage their self-care needs.
- Staff use observations and assessments effectively to plan for children's next steps in learning. These are displayed so all staff working with the children know how to support their good progress.
- Staff promote positive behaviour. They talk to children about the consequences of their actions. Children show an awareness of danger and tell staff that they might bump their head if they fall off furniture.
- Staff gather information from parents about children's interests and prior abilities on entry to help them to plan for children's learning from the outset.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

Due Date

 ensure that Ofsted are provided with the necessary information 27/11/2017 about changes to members of the committee, for them to ascertain their suitability in a timely manner.

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

- extend the professional development of staff to precisely raise the quality of teaching practice and interactions with children to the highest possible level
- strengthen the partnerships with other settings that children attend, exchanging information to promote continuity of learning.

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. She looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the nursery.
- The inspector spoke to several parents during the inspection and took account of their views.

Inspector

Hayley Ruane

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is inadequate

Arrangements for safeguarding are not effective. Ofsted has not been informed of changes to committee members or been given the information needed to check the suitability of these committee members. This has a negative impact on children's safety because members of the committee are responsible for overseeing the safe management of the nursery and the recruitment of new staff. However, the manager and staff do have a good knowledge of how to recognise if a child is at significant risk of harm. The new manager and staff have made many changes to the nursery. This has increased children's understanding of healthy eating and drinking. The manager supports her staff through supervision and appraisal meetings.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Teaching is consistently good throughout the nursery. The new staff team works very well together and are good role models for the children. Children demonstrate a genuine affection for staff and openly invite them into their play, demonstrating that children are emotionally secure. Staff introduce a storyline to children's play to enhance their learning. When children build a tower with wooden blocks and play with straw, staff talk to children about 'The three little pigs'. Children demonstrate good imagination when they hide in a cardboard box. They show great excitement when staff pretend to be a wolf and 'huff' and 'puff' and pretend to blow it down. Staff provide opportunities for children to learn about their local community. They take them on walks to collect natural objects and to the library for children to choose books to take home. Children learn about diversity. Staff use sign language when they sing songs and help children to learn rhyming words, supporting their literacy skills.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are inadequate

Those in a position to influence the running of the nursery have not had their suitability checked with Ofsted. This significantly compromises children's safety and well-being. However, staff do promote children's safety when walking in the street. They provide children with high-visibility jackets so they can easily been seen, and talk to children about road safety. This helps children to learn how to keep themselves safe. Children demonstrate a good awareness of the routines of the day which are supported by staff singing different songs with children when routines change. For example, children press a button on an electronic toy and listen to a song to remind them to wash their hands.

Outcomes for children are good

Children show a keen interest to learn and make good progress from their starting points. They learn key skills in readiness for their move on to school. Children ride on toys that help them to develop their balance and coordination. They negotiate a safe pathway when they move around different toys and resources. Children stretch their arms in the air, helping to develop their physical skills. Children ask, 'Are we doing yoga again?'.

Setting details

Unique reference number 253686

Local authority Lincolnshire

Inspection number 1103327

Type of provision Full-time provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register

Age range of children 2 - 4

Total number of places 24

Number of children on roll 13

Name of registered person

Kirkby on Bain Nursery Committee

Registered person unique

reference number

RP517289

Date of previous inspection 16 December 2014

Telephone number 01526 352228

Kirkby on Bain Nursery registered in 1992. The nursery employs five members of childcare staff. Of these, four hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3 and one at level 2. The nursery opens from Monday to Friday during term time. Sessions are from 8.30am until 3.15pm. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

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