# Little Diamonds Limited

Field Community Centre, 147 Station Road, LONDON, E7 OAE



Inspection date	14 December 2017
Previous inspection date	23 July 2014

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and asses	sment	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 evaluate the provision well. They have addressed the recommendation from the previous inspection well. For example, they plan regular cooking activities for older children to learn how to prepare healthy food and about healthy eating.
- Staff develop close relationships with parents. They share regular information about children's learning and development. Parents speak positively about the environment, staff's support and the play opportunities available to help children learn.
- Staff receive good support to work effectively together to ensure smooth day-to-day running of the setting. They follow daily routines and policies and procedures well. For example, they complete thorough health and safety checks to ensure the environment is safe for children.
- Children behave well. They listen and show respect to staff. From a young age, they learn to share and take turns during their play. Staff model good manners and behaviour to children. For example, they use 'please' and 'thank you' appropriately.
- Staff observe and assess children's learning well. They plan stimulating activities and resources for children to enjoy and to help them make good progress with their development.

# It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff miss some opportunities to support older children to count, recognise numerals and learn more about size.
- Staff do not make full use of all activities to follow up on what individual younger children need to do next and to support their speaking skills further.

# What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- increase opportunities to strengthen older children's learning to count, recognise numerals and learn more about size
- make better use of opportunities to strengthen younger children's individual language development.

## **Inspection activities**

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching in the playrooms and the outdoor play area, and looked at some of the children's assessment records and planning documentation.
- The inspector held discussions with the manager and leader throughout the day.
- The inspector held discussions with staff about their roles and assessed their understanding of meeting the requirements of the early years foundation stage.
- The inspector took account of the children's and parents' views during the inspection.
- The inspector conducted a joint observation with the manager.

#### Inspector

Martina Mullings

# **Inspection findings**

## Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. Leaders have robust safeguarding policies and procedures to keep children safe. They ensure staff attend safeguarding training to have a secure understanding of child protection issues and the procedures to report any concerns about a child's welfare. Leaders complete thorough recruitment and vetting processes to ensure they employ suitable staff. Staff benefit from regular supervision and professional development opportunities to enhance their knowledge and skills. For example, they have used knowledge gained at training to support older children to strengthen their early writing skills. Staff monitor children's progress well and promptly recognise gaps in children's development. Staff work closely with other professionals and know how to seek early intervention to support children when necessary.

# Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff develop children's early literacy skills effectively. They provide a wide range of opportunities to develop their interests and their understanding of stories. For example, older children listen attentively to a pirate story and enjoy dressing as pirates and searching for 'treasures'. Staff support older children to develop their early writing skills well. For example, they give them paper, pens and envelopes to write Christmas letters to Santa Claus. Staff provide good opportunities, such as play dough and sand, for children to develop their sensory, imaginative and creative skills effectively. Children develop their understanding of the world well. For example, they learn to identify animals and sea creatures, and they learn about the local community and different cultures.

#### Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children settle well. They develop close attachments with staff and move around freely to play with the resources available. Younger children develop their independence, confidence and self-esteem well. For example, they feed themselves and choose their own play. Staff's positive praise and encouragement help them recognise what they are doing well. Staff support children to learn about emotions well. For example, they encourage younger children to make and view their facial expressions in a mirror. Staff support children's physical development well. For example, they provide free flow to the garden and arrange visits to the local park for them to play and develop their small and large muscles. Older children learn about the local community and different families effectively.

## **Outcomes for children are good**

Children make good progress, in relation to their starting points. They acquire skills to support the next stages in their learning. For example, children develop their social skills well. They play together well and form close friendships with other children. Younger children display good balance and mobility, and they handle and grasp resources effectively. Older children enjoy pretend play and use their imagination well.

# **Setting details**

**Unique reference number** EY402200

**Local authority** Newham

Inspection number 1071224

**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 78

Name of registered person Little Diamonds Limited

Registered person unique

reference number

RP529379

**Date of previous inspection** 23 July 2014

**Telephone number** 0208 519 1919

Little Diamonds Limited registered in 2009. It operates from Field Community Centre, situated in Forest Gate, within the London Borough of Newham. The setting is open Monday to Friday from 7.30am to 6.30pm for 51 weeks of the year. The setting receives funding to provide free early education for children aged two, three and four years. The setting employs 18 members of staff. Of these, the provider holds early years professional status, two staff hold qualified teacher status, three staff hold early years qualifications at level 6, six staff hold early years qualifications at level 3 and four hold early years qualifications at level 2.

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