Channings Childcare Ltd

Springbank Street, Werneth, Oldham, OL8 4LH



Inspection date	18 December 2017
Previous inspection date	10 April 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 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

- Managers and leaders have high ambitions and strive for excellence. They use selfevaluation systems accurately to identify areas for improvement and work proactively to raise outcomes for children. Managers encourage and include the views of children, parents and staff when setting targets and making future changes.
- Children are happy and benefit from close support from their key person during settling-in periods. Staff place high emphasis on children's emotional security.
- There is a strong focus on raising children's early speaking skills. Children who speak English as an additional language receive close support to ensure the gaps for these children are closing.
- Staff and managers have particularly worked hard to increase partnership with parents. They encourage parental engagement and maintain consistent communication. Furthermore, they effectively share regular information about children's progress and support their learning at home.
- Staff have detailed knowledge of children's progress and interests. They use information from observations and assessments to support children's continued good progress.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Occasionally, staff do not extend opportunities for children to reflect on their home cultures and enhance their learning about the wider world around them.
- Staff do not fully extend children's thinking skills and their understanding about cause and effect, such as how things work.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- enhance opportunities for children to reflect on their home cultures and broaden their learning about the wider world around them
- provide more opportunities to extend children's thinking skills and enrich their understanding of how things work.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the nursery manager.
- The inspector spoke with children and staff during the inspection.
- The inspector held a meeting with the nursery manager and provider. She looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the nursery.
- The inspector spoke to a number of parents during the inspection and took account of their views.

Inspector

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Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Staff complete regular safeguarding training and keep abreast of any changes. They have a secure knowledge of the correct procedures to follow if they have any concerns about a child's welfare. Staff maintain vigilant supervision of children and keep children safe. The manager completes thorough checks to ensure that staff are skilled and suitable to work with children. Systems for the supervision and monitoring of staff practice are secure. Managers closely mentor and coach staff. For example, they complete regular observations of practice, hold team meetings and provide opportunities for focused training. Staff and managers work closely with parents and other professionals. They monitor children's progress to secure timely interventions and help close any emerging gaps in children's learning.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children enjoy the various exciting experiences available to them. Staff plan activities based on children's current interests and their next steps in learning. Staff join in with children's play and engage them in their learning. Staff support children's emerging literacy skills effectively. For example, older children competently practise writing their names and recognise their name. Staff plan a range of activities that cover all areas of learning based on a favourite book. Children thoroughly enjoy singing songs and learn about rhythm as they use various musical instruments. Babies enjoy exploring sensory bottles and learn simple counting as they play with building blocks. Children compare different textures, such as cereals and soil in a farmyard activity. Toddlers participate in making play dough and using this to decorate their pretend Christmas buns.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff help children to gain independence during daily routines, such as washing hands independently before eating and tidying away toys after play. Staff are good role models and provide children with clear expectations for positive behaviour. For example, they use visual aids to help children to learn about and manage their feelings. Children use good manners and follow instructions well. Staff celebrate children's achievements and efforts, such as using stickers and praise. All children enjoy daily outdoor play and gain increasing confidence in their balance and coordination. Children enjoy a range of healthy meals and snacks, and staff tailor menus to meet their specific dietary needs with care.

Outcomes for children are good

All children make good progress from the time they start at nursery. They gain important skills to prepare them in their next stages in learning, including their eventual move on to school. Children develop imaginary play ideas with their peers. Children show interest in counting and comparing sizes of objects during play and routines. For example, they count the number of dinosaurs and place these in size order. Children are motivated learners. They show sustained concentration in creative activities. Children are motivated learners and try new activities with enthusiasm. They show sustained concentration in activities of their interest.

Setting details

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Type of provision Full-time provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Age range of children 1 - 4

Total number of places 60

Number of children on roll 75

Name of registered person Channings Childcare Ltd

Registered person unique RP901377

reference number

Date of previous inspection 10 April 2014

Telephone number 0161 622 1165

Channings Childcare Ltd registered in 1999. The nursery employs 18 members of childcare staff. Of these 12 members of staff, hold recognised qualifications at level 3. A further three members of staff hold qualifications at level 2. The nursery opens from Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and over the Christmas period. Sessions are from 7.30am until 6pm. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

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