Mon Ami Children's Nursery @ 84-86 Woodville Road



84-86 Woodville Road, Boston, PE21 8BB

Inspection date	25 January 2018	
Previous inspection date	Not applicable	

The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Requires improvement	3
early years provision	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and ma	nagement	Requires improvement	3
Quality of teaching, learning and asses	sment	Requires improvement	3
Personal development, behaviour and	welfare	Requires improvement	3
Outcomes for children		Requires improvement	3

Summary of key findings for parents

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

- The required progress check for children aged between two and three years has not been carried out on some children. Consequently, parents have not been fully informed of their children's stage of development.
- Procedures in place to monitor children's progress are not good enough. Some gaps in their development are not quickly identified so that interventions can be put into place in a timely manner.
- Sometimes children in the pre-school room do not have a wide choice about the activities they want to take part in, particularly those who prefer to be outdoors.

It has the following strengths

- Children respond well to the guidance provided by staff. They enjoy taking responsibility for small tasks, such as tidying up toys.
- Overall, parents report they are that they are pleased with the nursery and that their children are happy and settled.
- Staff complete daily risk assessments to identify and minimise any potential hazards for children.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

Due Date

complete the progress check for children aged between two and three years, ensuring that parents are provided with a written summary of their child's progress in the prime areas of learning and development. 28/02/2018

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

- improve the monitoring of progress to ensure any gaps in children's learning and development are quickly identified and addressed
- offer children more opportunities to participate in their preferred activities to help them be fully engaged in their play and learning, including those who prefer to learn outdoors.

Inspection activities

- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability and qualifications of staff working within the setting.
- The inspector engaged in a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector sampled various documents, including risk assessments and a range of policies and procedures and the provider's evidence of self-evaluation.
- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities indoors and outdoors and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector considered the views of parents in discussions during the inspection.

Inspector

Susan Sykes

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management requires improvement

Safeguarding is effective. Staff have a clear understanding of the procedures to follow should they have a concern about a child's welfare and safety. Furthermore, they keep their knowledge updated by regularly completing child protection training. However, the overall monitoring of children's progress does not always identify where there are gaps or limited development in children's learning. This results in some children not receiving timely interventions to help them. Systems to ensure all children receive the statutory progress check for children aged between two and three years are not strong enough, which means some children have not received this check. Overall, the management use self-evaluation well to identify areas for improvement, taking into account the views of parents. For example, they have recently introduced leaflets in different languages to inform parents about the early years foundation stage.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment requires improvement

There are inconsistencies in how staff assess children's current skills and progress. For example, assessment records over a period of time have gaps for some children. However, staff support children's communication and language development well. For instance, babies and toddlers enjoy singing familiar songs. They are excited as they snuggle with staff to look at books and they enthusiastically make the sounds of the animals in the pictures. Older children benefit as staff actively listen to their ideas and build on these. For example, children talk about the pirates' treasure that they are searching for and draw their own maps. This helps to promote their early writing skills.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare require improvement

Children settle happily into the nursery. However, some daily routines do not take into account the individual needs of children. For example, children in the pre-school room sometimes have limited opportunities to participate in play of their choice, including those who prefer to play outdoors. However, flexible procedures help new children to quickly settle into the nursery. Staff give the support children need to feel emotionally secure. For example, younger children are given lots of cuddles and reassurance if they are upset. Specific health or dietary needs are carefully planned, and children benefit from healthy snacks and meals. Staff provide good support to help children's understanding of other cultures. They encourage families to share their cultural backgrounds and festivals and provide children with rich and exciting experiences about traditions in other countries.

Outcomes for children require improvement

Weaknesses in children's assessments and monitoring of their progress result in not all children making good progress. However, children gain some skills to help prepare them for future learning. For example, they are building firm friendships and are learning to respect each other. When engaged in play of their choice, children persevere and concentrate during activities, demonstrating a positive attitude to their learning.

Setting details

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Local authority Lincolnshire

Inspection number 1097331

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 0 - 4

Total number of places 55

Number of children on roll 115

Name of registered person

La Compagnie Mon Ami Limited

Registered person unique

reference number

RP545193

Date of previous inspectionNot applicable

Telephone number 01205 319499

Mon Ami Children's Nursery @ 84-86 Woodville Road registered in 2017. The nursery employs 12 members of childcare staff. Of these, 10 hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. The nursery opens Monday to Friday all year round. Sessions are from 7am until 6.30pm, except for one week at Christmas. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

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