Creative Hands Childcare

Haven Centre, Wadsworth Road, Nottingham, NG9 8BD



Inspection date	26 June 2018
Previous inspection date	5 March 2018

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

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- The management team has worked extremely hard since the last inspection to raise the quality of the provision. Self-evaluation is effective. The views of parents, children, staff and outside agencies are used to help identify ways to continue to improve children's experiences.
- The manager monitors staff performance well. She regularly observes staff's teaching to inform supervision meetings and to quickly identify training needs. As a result, the quality of teaching and outcomes for children are good.
- Staff are skilled in guiding children's learning as they play. They listen to children, observe them closely and consider their views. They provide activities and experiences that motivate children to play purposefully.
- Children enjoy outings, such as visits to the local fire station, library and park. Staff use these outings to help children learn about the community in which they live.
- Children develop a strong sense of belonging in the nursery. They form trusting relationships with caring and attentive staff.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not gather as much information as possible from parents about where children are in their learning when they first start, to enable them to build on what children know and can do from the earliest opportunity.
- The organisation of routines means that children's learning is sometimes disrupted.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- explore more effective ways to encourage parents to share information about what their child can already do when they first start attending
- review the routines of the day to maximise opportunities for children's play and learning.

Inspection activities

- The inspector completed a tour of the premises.
- The inspector completed a joint observation of an activity with the nursery manager.
- The inspector observed the quality of teaching and assessed the impact this has on children's learning. She discussed with staff how they track the progress that children make.
- The inspector sampled documentation.
- The inspector gained the views of parents spoken to on the day of inspection.

Inspector

Carly Polak

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The manager and staff have a secure knowledge of procedures to follow to help protect children's safety and welfare. Managers follow effective recruitment and induction systems to ensure that staff are suitable to work with children. Staff build positive relationships with parents. They encourage parents to play an active role in their child's ongoing learning. Overall, they share relevant information with parents and a range of other professionals to promote continuity in children's care, learning and development. The manager effectively monitors children's progress. She ensures that children who have special educational needs (SEN) and/or disabilities receive the support they need to make good progress in their learning.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff are well qualified and use their knowledge and skills effectively to support children's play and learning. Staff build on children's mathematical skills during play. For example, as the toddlers build with large blocks, staff introduce the language of size. Children start to gain an understanding of this as they talk about how big their house is. Pre-school children enjoy learning about the life cycle of caterpillars through first-hand observation opportunities. They recall how their caterpillars made cocoons and came out as butterflies. Children spend significant amounts of time watching the butterflies and asking staff lots of questions about them. Staff promote children's language development well, including those who are learning to speak English as an additional language. Children learn new words, share their ideas and communicate confidently.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff use props to engage babies and young toddlers in listening and joining in with nursery rhymes. They use large physical actions and invite children to copy them. This helps the children to develop their physical skills and coordination. Staff are good role models and children learn good hygiene routines, such as washing their hands before eating. The key-person system is effective in supporting children's emotional well-being. Children have a good sense of belonging and staff value their ideas. The environment is well-resourced and stimulating, and children independently select what they want to play with. Children have fun as they engage in play. Their behaviour is very good.

Outcomes for children are good

Children are motivated learners who confidently explore and develop the skills they need for future learning and their eventual move on to school. For example, children who are due to start school learn to listen to each other and they develop confidence to speak in a group as they are encouraged to share information during registration time. Children practise their early writing skills and write their names on pictures that they draw and paint.

Setting details

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Local authority Nottinghamshire

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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 0 - 8

Total number of places 68

Number of children on roll 108

Name of registered person Creative Hands Childminding Partnership

Registered person unique

reference number

RP900927

Date of previous inspection 5 March 2018

Telephone number 07827442804

Creative Hands Childcare registered in 2016. The nursery employs 11 members of childcare staff. Of these, eight hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3, including one who holds the early years teacher status. The nursery opens from Monday to Friday all year round. Sessions are from 7am until 7pm. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

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