Country Buttercups Nursery



Brede Cp School, Udimore Road, Broad Oak, RYE, East Sussex TN31 6DG

Inspection date	29 October 2018
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection: Previous inspection:	Good Not applicable	2
Effectiveness of leadership and manag	gement	Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and asses	ssment	Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and	welfare	Good	2
Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

The provision is good

- Children enjoy many opportunities to use their physical skills. For example, they pedal bicycles in the garden and confidently use climbing equipment indoors.
- Staff support children well through times of change. For instance, in preparation for starting school, older children join in activities, such as sports day with the local primary school.
- Staff demonstrate a secure knowledge of how children learn and develop. They monitor children's progress effectively and use the information to plan children's next steps in learning.
- Children learn how to keep themselves safe. For example, staff teach them about the importance of wearing a safety helmet when riding a bicycle.
- Staff regularly risk assess the premises and resources to ensure the environment is safe for children.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not consistently help children to understand the effect that their behaviour has on others.
- Some adult-led group activities do not meet the needs of all children.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- strengthen opportunities to teach children about the effects their behaviour has on others
- improve adult-led group activities to ensure all children are engaged and progressing in their learning.

Inspection activities

- The inspector held discussions with staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the management team. She sampled a range of documentation, such as policies, staff suitability checks and children's records.
- The inspector spoke to parents and took account of their views.
- The inspector observed the quality of teaching in all playrooms and outdoor areas, and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.

Inspector

Michaela Borland

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is good

The management team monitors staff performance effectively to identify any areas for improvement. For example, it meets with staff individually and regularly observes practice. Staff work hard to provide a bright and stimulating environment with a variety of resources that children can access independently. Managers evaluate the provision well and include the views of staff, parents and children. Safeguarding is effective. There are robust recruitment and vetting processes in place to ensure all staff are suitable to work with children. Staff know how to recognise children who may be at risk of harm. They understand the processes to follow if they have concerns about children's welfare.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff observe children's learning closely and give support when needed. For example, staff hold babies' hands as they learn to climb steps. Staff use a range of teaching strategies to help children learn. For example, they sing familiar nursery rhymes to develop children's counting skills and use sign language to support communication skills. Staff attend regular training to improve practice and ensure children continue to make progress. Staff work closely with parents. They use a variety of strategies to keep parents informed about their children's learning and how to extend this at home. Children learn about people and communities that are different to their own. For example, they listen and dance enthusiastically to music from African countries.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children form strong bonds with staff. Staff caring for babies are sensitive to their individual needs, giving cuddles and reassurance when needed. Staff place a strong emphasis on developing children's independence. For example, older children put on their own coats and boots when going into the garden and wash their own hands before meals. Overall, children play well together. For example, younger children take turns to throw soft balls into a basket. Staff encourage children to lead healthy lifestyles. For example, they provide nutritious home-made meals and children play outdoors throughout the day. The nursery is clean and staff follow good hygiene procedures.

Outcomes for children are good

Children are happy and confident learners. For example, children laugh and giggle as they use the slide. Children enjoy using their creative and imaginative skills. For example, they paint pictures and pretend to style each other's hair using toy hairdryers and brushes. Children explore and investigate in their play. For example, younger children search for dinosaurs under leaves. Children are motivated to learn and become absorbed in their play. Children make progress from their starting points and acquire the skills they need for future learning and the move to school.

Setting details

Unique reference numberEY535564Local authorityEast SussexInspection number10057126Type of provisionFull day care

RegistersEarly Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Day care typeChildcare on non-domestic premises

Age range of children 0 - 4

Total number of places 37

Number of children on roll 89

Name of registered person Country Buttercups Ltd

Registered person unique

reference number

RP904309

Telephone numberNot applicable 01424 883000

Country Buttercups Nursery registered in 2016. The nursery is located in the grounds of Brede Primary School in East Sussex. It operates from 8am until 6pm on Monday to Friday, throughout the year. The nursery employs 11 members of staff, all of whom hold relevant childcare qualifications. Of these, one holds a qualification at level 6, eight at level 3 and one at level 2. One member of staff has also gained early years professional status. The setting receives funding for free early education for children aged two, three and four years.

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