Nelly's Nursery

DULWICH SPORTS GROUND, 102-106 Turney Road, London SE21 7JH



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Inspection date Previous inspection date		18 December 2 19 July 2016	018
The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection: Previous inspection:		Outstanding Good
Effectiveness of leadership and management Outstan			Outstanding

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment Outstanding Personal development, behaviour and welfare Outstanding Outcomes for children Outstanding

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is outstanding

- The inspirational leadership of the management team drives the excellent standards of this nursery. The managers provide staff with individual support and mentoring to ensure they are exceptionally knowledgeable and confident in their role. Highly reflective practice raises children's outcomes even further.
- Staff provide a challenging and stimulating environment, and they consistently encourage children to lead their own play and learning. Children are extremely well motivated, demonstrate high levels of perseverance and make exceptional progress from their start points.
- The quality of teaching is exceptional. Staff use observations and assessments to skilfully shape learning experiences for children. Staff recognise that children have different learning styles and continually plan for their individual needs and interests from the start.
- Children display high levels of confidence and their behaviour is exemplary. They form positive relationships with their peers and show excellent understanding of boundaries.
- Partnerships with parents is exemplary overall. Staff provide parents with excellent opportunities to extend their children's learning at home. Parents say they particularly enjoy the lending library to enjoy the books with their children.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

develop the already excellent partnerships with parents so parents play an even greater role in contributing to their children's learning even further.

Inspection activities

- The inspector carried out a joint observation with the manager and discussed children's learning.
- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities indoors and outdoors, and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector discussed the self-evaluation with the manager and staff.
- The inspector spoke with parents and children, and took account of their views.
- The inspector sampled a range of documents, including staff suitability checks, qualification and training details, and children's development records.

Inspector Tracey Murphy

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. All staff have an exceptional knowledge of what to do should they have concerns about a child's welfare. The managers are meticulous with regards to ongoing training and make it a priority to ensure that staff's safeguarding knowledge is current and up to date. The managers are highly driven and work extensively to ensure that all children are making exceptional progress. For example, staff make excellent use of learning opportunities that are exceptionally well focused on supporting children's communication and language development. This significantly improves children's speech and language acquisition. The managers continually evaluate the quality of the provision rigorously, to identify aspects of the service for further improvement. For example, the managers have recognised scope to look at even more ways to work in partnerships with parents to extend children's learning further.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Staff provide an excellent range of activities and learning opportunities. They have an exceptional understanding of children's individual learning styles. Planning is highly effective and takes account of children's individual interests and next steps in learning. They are extremely successful in increasing children's curiosity as they explore a wealth of natural resources. Younger children fully immerse themselves in investigating real vegetables in the home corner. For example, they are inquisitive as the peel the layers off an onion and feel the textures of different fruits. Older children enjoy sharing their knowledge about space and gravity. Staff use carefully placed suggestions as children prepare the garden area for winter plants.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

All children, including young children, form extremely secure attachments with their key persons and other staff. Older children form very strong relationships with their friends and are extremely respectful to each other. Children of all ages develop high levels of independence and confidence. Staff consistently praise the children and value their efforts and contributions to ideas. This helps to embed high levels of self-esteem in the children. Children gain an excellent understanding of healthy lifestyles. Children confidently explain they prefer crunchy carrots and not soft ones after they have been cooked.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

All children make excellent progress from their starting points and are exceptionally well prepared for the next stage of their learning. Children are extremely independent learners and concentrate for long periods of time. They are highly motivated to immerse themselves in activities and confident to try new ideas and concepts.

Setting details

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Local authority	Southwark	
Inspection number	10076226	
Type of provision	Full day care	
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register	
Day care type	Childcare on non-domestic premises	
Age range of children	0 - 4	
Total number of places	40	
Number of children on roll	37	
Name of registered person	Bascule Ltd	
Registered person unique reference number	RP906116	
Date of previous inspection	19 July 2016	
Telephone number	02077375455	

Nelly's Nursery registered in 2014. It operates from a self-contained building within Dulwich Sports Ground in the London Borough of Southwark. It is open from Monday to Friday, 7.30am to 6.30pm, all year round except for bank holidays and two weeks at Christmas. The nursery receives funding to provide free early education to children aged three and four years. There are 11 members of staff, of whom nine hold qualifications from level 2 to level 6.

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