Little Sunshines

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Bromley Common Cricket Club, Oakley Road, Bromley BR2 8HQ

Inspection date	6 March 2019	2010	
Previous inspection date	26 September	2018	
The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Good	2
early years provision	Previous inspection:	Inadequate	4
Effectiveness of 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

- The provider leads the setting well. She has worked with other professionals to update her skills and secure improvements. All actions from the last inspection have been met.
- Children's welfare is protected because the provider now has a robust understanding of child protection and other aspects of safeguarding which she shares with her team.
- The provider has focused on improving supervision and training to ensure all adults working in the setting have appropriate skills to carry out their roles.
- Children are motivated and eager to learn through a good range of activities that are planned well to interest them.
- Children enjoy their time at nursery. They form good friendships with their carers and learn to behave nicely to their friends.
- Children make very good progress in personal, social and emotional development due to the thoughtful and considerate approach of staff.
- Children's progress records are not always consistently recorded and opportunities for parents to contribute are sometimes missed.
- The provider does not monitor the progress of different groups of children to help her identify where extra support may be needed.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- develop a consistent approach to recording children's developmental progress, including regular contributions from parents
- monitor the progress of different groups of children in order to identify any support that may be needed.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed indoor and outdoor activities and spoke with children during the inspection.
- The inspector spoke with parents and took account of their views.
- The inspector carried out a joint observation with the provider to assess quality of teaching.
- The inspector had a meeting with the provider to discuss improvements since the last inspection.
- The inspector looked at safeguarding policies and discussed safeguarding procedures with the provider and her staff.
- The inspector looked at records of children's developmental progress.

Inspector Debbie Davey

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The provider has attended safeguarding training and is fully aware of issues relating to child protection and the wider aspects of safeguarding. Policies and procedures have been updated since the last inspection to reflect changes in legislation. This ensures all staff, including new staff joining the setting, understand their responsibility to keep children safe and protected from harm. Records of children's attendance are accurately recorded to ensure children's welfare is protected. The provider plans for staff deployment and ensures there are a sufficient number of staff to care for children and meet their needs. Risk assessments have been reviewed, and measures in place ensure babies and toddlers are safe in the new building. Staff who prepare meals are trained in food-handling procedures to protect children from the risk of infection. Parents particularly appreciate the friendly and caring team.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Careful consideration has been given to the planning of activities based on children's interests and their next steps in learning. Activities are presented well. For example, on the day of the inspection, older children were fascinated by a mini-bug hunt and recording their findings on paper. This fosters their natural curiosity, counting and writing skills. Children learn about the natural world through topics, such as a space theme where they learn names of planets. In this way, staff introduce new words to add to children's rapidly developing vocabulary. Staff model language well and use signs and pictures to help children communicate. Older children are confident when speaking in groups and listen attentively to what others have to say. Babies enjoy playing in their base room, exploring natural materials and painting using their fingers and hands. Staff praise children's achievements and share their artwork with parents. This fully supports children's confidence and enjoyment of learning.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff are skilled at helping children learn to express their thoughts, feelings and emotions. Children are enthusiastic when they come to nursery and staff welcome them when they arrive for the day. Children build strong emotional attachments to their key persons. Circle times are used very well to help children learn to express their thoughts and feelings. This helps children to develop confidence to speak to adults and to keep them safe. Children are encouraged to be independent and older children eagerly volunteer to be helpers for the day. They help to set up the place mats and cups for lunch and pour drinks for others in the café. Children behave exceptionally well during play and activities indoors. They enjoy active learning in the garden and trips to the local field and woodland for fresh air and exercise.

Outcomes for children are good

Children are making good progress. They are motivated to learn due to the range of activities planned to interest them. Children who have additional needs receive extra support. Children who speak other languages are highly valued because adults have high expectations of what they can achieve. This means all children are prepared for their next stage of learning and for school.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY545831	
Local authority	Bromley	
Inspection number	10086693	
Type of provision	Childcare on non-domestic premises	
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register	
Day care type	Full day care	
Age range of children	1 - 4	
Total number of places	36	
Number of children on roll	33	
Name of registered person	Sunshines Partnership	
Registered person unique reference number	RP545830	
Date of previous inspection	26 September 2018	
Telephone number	07857416864	

Little Sunshines registered in 2017. It operates from premises situated within cricket grounds in the Keston area of the London Borough of Bromley. It employs six members of staff, all of whom hold relevant childcare qualifications from level 2 to level 6. The nursery operates Monday to Friday from 7.30am to 6pm for 50 weeks of the year. It provides free early education for children age two, three and four years.

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