Hebden Bridge Private Day Nursery



Station House, Station Road, Hebden Bridge, West Yorkshire HX7 6JE

Inspection date	24 June 2019
Previous inspection date	4 August 2016

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

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is inadequate

- The manager has limited understanding of events that need to be notified to Ofsted. She has failed to notify Ofsted of a number of significant events and changes that have occurred in the nursery. This has a negative effect on children's welfare.
- The manager and staff do not obtain all the required information about each child from parents and carers, including who has parental responsibility and who the child normally lives with.
- The manager has failed to record all the required details of the Disclosure and Barring Service checks for staff.
- Information about children's learning and development is not shared with other early years providers effectively enough to make sure there is continuity for children.
- Staff do not obtain enough in-depth information from parents about their children's prior learning when they first start at the nursery. This means they are not able to fully enhance children's development from the very start.

It has the following strengths

- Staff observe children and routinely monitor their progress by tracking their development. They use information from assessments and children's interests to support children's next steps in learning. Consequently, children make good progress.
- Children have warm, trusting relationships with staff. As a result, children are happy, settled and enjoy their time at nursery.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

	Due date
develop knowledge of significant events and changes that must be notified to Ofsted	01/07/2019
ensure that each child's records contain information about who the child normally lives with and who has parental responsibility	01/07/2019
ensure that records contain all the required information about staff's Disclosure and Barring Service checks, including the date checks were obtained and who obtained the disclosure.	01/07/2019

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

- strengthen the partnerships with all other early years providers that children attend in order to share relevant information about their care and learning and promote better continuity for children
- obtain more information from parents when children first start in order to plan even more precisely for children's progress from the earliest stage.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the deputy manager.
- The inspector had discussions with the manager and staff. She looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of adults in the setting.
- The inspector took the views of parents into account.
- This inspection was carried out following concerns and Ofsted's risk assessment process.

Inspector

Helene Terry

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is inadequate

The arrangements for safeguarding are ineffective. The provider has failed to notify Ofsted on a number of occasions of significant events and changes. In addition, some information that is required to be obtained to keep children safe is missing from records. This includes who has parental responsibility for each child and who the child normally lives with. Some of the information that is required to be kept relating to staff checks is also not kept. This has an adverse effect on the well-being and safety of the children. Partnerships with other agencies involved in the care of children are effective, such as health visitors. However, information sharing with other early years provisions that children attend are not as effective in ensuring continuity of learning and development. Monitoring and evaluation systems are still being developed and are yet to have a full effect on practice. Staff have a good understanding of child protection procedures and their responsibilities to supervise children. There is a strong team spirit and staff value the importance of working together. Staff are supported well and have good opportunities to further their training, which benefits the learning outcomes for the children.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff show a good understanding of how children learn. They enable children to lead activities and make suggestions for them to take an active role in their learning. For example, children make decisions about what they would like on some tables in the playroom or games they wish to play outdoors. Children play in a language-rich environment. Staff provide ongoing commentary about what babies and young children are doing to help them link words to actions. In addition, children learn new words, such as 'antique' and 'acrobats', through discussions and stories. Children explore and investigate outdoors. They help staff lift logs to see what they can find underneath. Staff ask effective questions about previous learning relating to insects that live underground, to prompt children to think and recall past experiences.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are inadequate

Children's well-being is compromised by weaknesses identified in leadership and management. Children's self-care skills are developing well. They wash their hands and face, make choices and help staff tidy away resources. Children behave very well. They learn to share and take turns as they play games indoors and outdoors. Staff praise and encourage children for their efforts, and they learn about the benefits of persistence through stories and activities. Children build self-esteem and confidence in their abilities very well. They are encouraged to take manageable risks as they climb the slide or build walkways using planks and crates on which they balance. Children learn about the benefits of a healthy and safe lifestyle well. Children enjoy a balanced, healthy diet that caters for their dietary needs.

Outcomes for children are good

Children effectively develop the skills that they need in readiness for school. They are interested and engaged in the activities. Pre-school children practise the initial sounds of words and find their name cards during group time. They learn about the world around

them and about people's differences and similarities. For example, they have recently been practising greetings in different languages, and confidently say 'hello' in Spanish and Italian. Toddlers and babies develop an understanding of numbers as they count using the large outdoor abacus. They also practise their balancing and walking skills as they negotiate uneven surfaces.

Setting details

Unique reference numberEY291494Local authorityCalderdaleInspection number10112831

Type of provision Childcare on non-domestic premises

Registers Early Years Register

Day care type Full day care

Age range of children 1 - 4

Total number of places 28

Number of children on roll 16

Name of registered person Broadbent, Ann

Registered person unique

reference number

RP514514

Date of previous inspection4 August 2016 **Telephone number**01422 845594

Hebden Bridge Private Day Nursery registered in 2004. The nursery employs seven members of staff. All childcare staff hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3 or above. One member of the team holds a degree in early years. The nursery opens Monday to Friday from 7.15am to 6pm, all year round. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

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