

Inspection of Lisle Marsden Childcare Ltd

Lansdowne Avenue, Grimsby, North East Lincolnshire DN32 0DF

Inspection date: 16 January 2020

Overall effectiveness	Outstanding
The quality of education	Outstanding
Behaviour and attitudes	Outstanding
Personal development	Outstanding
Leadership and management	Outstanding
Overall effectiveness at previous inspection	Outstanding



What is it like to attend this early years setting?

The provision is outstanding

Children's natural curiosity is promoted as they take part in a wide range of hands-on learning experiences. Staff skilfully enhance and extend children's play, supporting their imagination, exploration and communication skills. Qualified, experienced staff have high expectations for all children. They ask lots of 'what', 'how' and 'why' questions, which broadens children's language skills and challenges them to think. For example, when children decided to make parachutes, staff encouraged them to consider how they would make these. Children thought carefully about what shape they should be and how they would attach them together. They busily investigated and worked together as they designed and created their parachutes.

Children are becoming confident, self-assured individuals who interact and play cooperatively with their peers. They behave extremely well because they are so engrossed and stimulated in their play. Children have great fun exploring outdoors, where they access an extensive range of resources and activities. They engage in lots of nature-based learning opportunities during forest school sessions. Children learn to stay safe as they recall the rules they must abide by during these exciting sessions.

Children's awareness of similarities and differences is supported through informative, real-life discussions. For example, parents visit the nursery to share information about their backgrounds and beliefs. This supports children to value their own unique qualities, while respecting the views and backgrounds of others.

What does the early years setting do well and what does it need to do better?

- Children are happy and motivated to learn. They become deeply engrossed in their play as staff successfully engage and support them in their chosen experiences. Staff are extremely skilled and utilise these opportunities to build on children's prior knowledge and abilities. They successfully incorporate lots of different learning opportunities into children's play, enabling each child to thrive.
- Children's learning and development are closely monitored throughout the nursery. This enables children who are at risk of falling behind in their development to be quickly identified. Small, focused interactive sessions are then planned to support children in these specific areas. This results in gaps closing rapidly as children catch up with their peers. Every child is therefore provided with a firm foundation on which their future learning is built.
- Highly effective partnership working with parents ensures the exchange of detailed information, enabling staff to meet children's individual care and learning needs. Flexible settling-in sessions support children to become familiar and confident in the nursery environment. Parents receive regular feedback on



their child's progress, next steps in learning and ideas for how they can support these at home. Staff translate this information into each family's home language, for children who speak English as an additional language. This successfully promotes the inclusion of all children.

- All children enjoy listening to stories. Staff's use of props entices and enthrals younger children as they learn to sit and listen intently to a story. Staff use interactive storytelling sessions to explore children's understanding of feelings. For example, when children re-enacted a popular story, they considered the wolf may be lonely when he visits the three little pigs. The children decided it would be kinder to make friends with the wolf. Older children's communication, imagination and literacy skills are promoted as they create their own story books. Staff encourage children to choose a range of objects out of a box and to use these to create a story. Staff print the stories and children design their own images to represent it. The book is created and left accessible for all children to look at.
- Children are provided with appropriate clothing to wear when they take part in forest school sessions. This enables children to get as dirty as they like as they explore their natural surroundings. Children have great fun playing in muddy puddles. They add more water to create an even bigger puddle, which they enjoy splashing in. Staff provide children with a ruler so that they can consider how deep the puddle is before stepping into it. Children find sticks and explore the marks they can make in the mud, which supports their early writing skills.
- Staff work extremely well as a team and are happy and motivated. Leaders and managers continually monitor staff practice and review how effectively they work together. They consider the strengths of each staff member and periodically move staff around so that staff continually complement each other. This helps to sharpen staff's skills and knowledge. Staff well-being is continually monitored, which enables the manager to quickly identify and rectify any pressures they have with their workload.

Safeguarding

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.

Children are protected from harm through vigilant and knowledgeable staff. All staff are aware of a wide range of indicators of abuse and they understand the procedures to follow if they have any concerns about a child's well-being. Children's awareness of maintaining their own safety is extremely well promoted. As children develop confidence in the forest school sessions, staff plan activities and cooking experiences around a real fire. Children are very closely supervised and staff teach them to keep safe in this environment. Informative discussions and ageappropriate stories are used to promote children's awareness of how to safely use online technology. Detailed information leaflets have also been provided to raise parents' awareness of how to keep their children safe when they use online applications.



Setting details

Unique reference number EY441225

Local authority North East Lincolnshire

Inspection number 10117668

Type of provision Childcare on non-domestic premises

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Day care type Sessional day care

Age range of children 2 to 10

Total number of places 50 **Number of children on roll** 119

Name of registered person Lisle Marsden Childcare LTD

Registered person unique

reference number

RP902219

Telephone number 01472 311019 **Date of previous inspection** 7 November 2012

Information about this early years setting

Lisle Marsden Childcare Ltd registered in 2012. The setting employs 33 members of childcare staff, 30 of whom hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 2 or above. It opens Monday to Friday from 7.45am to 6pm, all year round. The setting provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Melanie Arnold

Inspection activities

- The manager completed a learning walk with the inspector, explaining how staff organise and support children's learning in each group.
- The inspector held a meeting with the manager. She also spoke with staff, children and parents at appropriate times during the inspection. Staff practice was observed during indoor and outdoor play opportunities.
- A range of documents were sampled during the inspection, including staff suitability checks and first-aid certificates.
- The inspector and the manager jointly evaluated staff teaching practice during a planned small-group activity.



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