

Inspection of AJJ'S Nurseries T/A Bizzie Bees

Ajj's Bizzie Bees, Hilton Avenue, Dunstable LU6 3QF

Inspection date: 19 October 2022

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



What is it like to attend this early years setting?

The provision is good

Children enjoy their time in nursery. They choose equipment and activities that interest them, helping to trigger even more ideas and games. Babies are captivated by the familiar songs staff sing. They join in, using tuneful sounds, and quickly learn to make actions with their arms during the songs and rhymes. This helps babies establish the foundations for communicating with others and forming sounds needed to begin to build recognisable words. Older children are delighted when staff lead a group game about a wolf telling the time. They carefully count their footsteps before squealing with excitement when they are chased back down the garden. Through their games, children learn to take turns, follow instructions and strengthen their muscles through physical movement. They build on their expanding vocabularies through the introduction of exciting and uncommon words and phrases used in the traditional rhymes and chants.

Children are confident and curious and are keen to join in adult-led activities. They work out how they can connect poles together to construct a house. They watch others to see how they can solve the problem before having a go for themselves. Staff support children, asking questions that encourage them to work out what might help them to join the poles up.

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

- The attentive staff spend time with children in small groups and on their own to help them settle into the nursery. They quickly get to know what children like and enjoy and ensure toys and equipment reflect these interests. Through reassurance and encouragement, children build positive bonds with their key person and other staff. This helps children to settle and feel safe in the nursery.
- The owner, who is also the manager, values continual reflection and improvements in the nursery. For example, she has recently strengthened the way in which staff supervision meetings are carried out and recorded. This helps to ensure that support and coaching have a positive impact on the care and education children receive.
- Children behave well. They are occupied in meaningful play and activities and show consideration towards others. Staff ask children to vote for the game they would like to play. Children listen to the choices before putting their hands up when their preference is called again. Children understand that even if their choice was not the most popular, there will be other times for them to play that game. Consequently, children begin to learn about democracy and respect.
- Parents are involved in the decisions made as to when children are moved from one group to the next. Children spend progressively longer periods of time in their new room, helping them get to know their new key person and different environment. This contributes to children's continued confidence and



- progression in learning as they smoothly move through the nursery.
- There is a good balance between adult- and child-led activities. This contributes to the wide range of experiences children have in the nursery. However, at times, staff do not consider how to use the space they have most effectively. For example, babies do not always have sufficient space to crawl and explore without restriction. Older children are sometimes gathered in more confined areas of their rooms for group activities, limiting their ability to be highly creative during action and movement games.
- The friendly staff enthusiastically interact with children. However, initially, staff do not build on what children already know and understand to ensure they are consistently challenged in their learning.
- Staff do not always take personal responsibility to help ensure that daily routine tasks, such as tidying, are carried out in a timely manner. Leading on from this, children are not always encouraged to tidy away unused toys and resources. This contributes to children's varying attitudes towards respecting possessions and equipment.

Safeguarding

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.

The manager ensures that all staff receive robust training in safeguarding and that they follow the procedures put in place to help protect children. Staff discuss a wide range of aspects of safeguarding in their regular team meetings. This includes topics that staff want to know more about to help strengthen their already good knowledge and understanding. The manager checks that new members of staff have read and understand the policies and procedures they must follow to record and report any concerns they might have about children's welfare. This contributes to keeping children safe from harm.

What does the setting need to do to improve?

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

- organise the environment more effectively to provide sufficient spaces for babies and children to maximise opportunities for learning and self-expression
- support staff to add suitable challenges to children's play and explorations that build on what they already know and understand right from the start
- review how and when routine tasks are carried out to ensure they are effectively completed, setting good examples for children to follow.



Setting details

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Local authority Central Bedfordshire

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Type of provision Childcare on non-domestic premises

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Day care type Full day care

Age range of children at time of

inspection

0 to 4

Total number of places 50

Number of children on roll 67

Name of registered person AJJ's Nurseries Limited

Registered person unique

reference number

RP531758

Telephone number 01582 604678

Date of previous inspection 23 November 2016

Information about this early years setting

AJJ'S Nurseries T/A Bizzie Bees registered in 2012. The nursery employs 22 members of childcare staff. Of these, 16 hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3 or above. The nursery opens from Monday to Friday, all year round. Sessions are from 8am until 6pm. The nursery provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Katrina Rodden



Inspection activities

- This is the first routine inspection the provider received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the owner and has taken this into consideration.
- The inspector observed activities in the group rooms and gardens. She spoke to staff and children at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The manager and inspector carried out a learning walk around the nursery. The manager described the curriculum children receive. The inspector assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector and manager observed an activity together. They discussed the quality of education they observed.
- Documents, including evidence of the suitability of staff and records of complaints, were seen by the inspector.
- The inspector and manager held a meeting together to discuss different aspects of management.
- The inspector spoke to a small number of parents and took their views, and those expressed through emails to the inspector, into consideration.

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