

Inspection of Bumble-Bees Montessori (Grange Park)

8 Uplands Way, LONDON N21 1DG

Inspection date:

10 January 2023

**The quality and
standards of early
years provision**

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The manager has high ambitions for the nursery and understands why it is important to regularly review the provision. She seeks feedback from parents, staff and external agencies, including the local authority, to inform her ongoing evaluation.
- The manager emphasises the importance of staff training and professional development. She organises regular supervision meetings with staff to discuss their teaching practice, providing targeted support when necessary.
- The manager talks about how settling-in procedures help children to quickly feel emotionally secure and confident. The approach is flexible and focuses on the individual needs of the child. Detailed information, shared by parents about their children before they start, supports the process.
- The manager clearly explains her intent for the curriculum. She focuses on the prime areas of the early years foundation stage and mathematics. This ensures children leave the nursery well equipped in important basic skills. The Montessori curriculum further supports this.
- Communication and language learning is a strong feature of the provision. The manager explains how the curriculum provides many opportunities for children to read, write and practise their spoken English skills, including children who speak English as an additional language.
- The manager describes how the provision is organised. Routines are well embedded and activities and resources provide rich opportunities for children to explore their interests. The approach to managing behaviour is always positive, with clear expectations shared with children.
- An effective key-person system is implemented by the manager. Key persons observe and assess their key children daily. This helps them plan a tailored programme of learning. They develop good relationships with parents, sharing daily information about children's care and their learning experiences at nursery.
- The manager understands the importance of safeguarding and how to keep children safe from harm. She knows who to contact for advice and when to make a referral. Staff safeguarding training is kept up to date. Comprehensive risk assessment procedures ensure the children are always safe.
- The manager discusses how she positively promotes good health with children and parents. Children enjoy eating healthy, freshly prepared meals and snacks and have many opportunities to practise their physical skills, inside and outside.
- The manager acknowledges how important it is to build good relationships with parents. She uses an electronic application to share information about children's learning progress and next steps. She also encourages parents to come into the nursery and share their family's beliefs and traditions with children during key festivals and celebrations.

There were no children in the early years age range present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no early years children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY455587
Local authority	Enfield
Inspection number	10236012
Type of provision	Childcare on non-domestic premises
Registers	Early Years Register
Day care type	Full day care
Age range of children at time of inspection	0 to 0
Total number of places	62
Number of children on roll	0
Name of registered person	Bumble-Bees Montessori (Grange Park) Ltd
Registered person unique reference number	RP532107
Telephone number	0208 3643647
Date of previous inspection	25 January 2017

Information about this early years setting

Bumble-Bees Montessori (Grange Park) registered in 2012. It operates from purpose-built premises located in a residential area of Grange Park, in the London Borough of Enfield. The nursery operates each weekday between 8am and 6pm, all year round, with the exception of two weeks over the Christmas period. The nursery receives funding to provide free early education for children aged three and four years old. It follows the Montessori method of teaching. The provider, who is also the manager, has a level 3 qualification in childcare.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Paul Church

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the setting received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The manager and the inspector discussed how the provision is organised, including the aims and rationale.
- The inspector spoke with the manager about the leadership and management of the setting.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation and reviewed evidence of the suitability of staff.

We carried out this inspection under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the early years foundation stage.

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