Little Wellingtons Pre-School



135 Wellington Road, London EN1 2RS

Inspection date Previous inspection date		29 October 2018 12 December 2017		
The quality and standards of the early years provision		inspection: ous inspection:	Good Requires improvement	2 3
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

The provision is good

- The manager meets regularly with staff to reflect on their practice and their key children's progress. She ensures staff attend statutory training and encourages their ongoing professional development.
- Staff provide children with good mathematical challenges. Children are learning to count, name shapes and understand some language for size, such as 'big' and 'small'.
- Children enjoy a good range of activities in the garden. They develop early writing skills, climb, balance and jump, and make concoctions in the mud kitchen.
- All children progress well from their different starting points. Staff assess children's individual progress well and plan for their next steps in learning.
- Staff help children to understand how their behaviour affects other children's feelings. They learn to be kind to each other and share toys and resources.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Although the manager and deputy manager have implemented a new programme to track children's progress, they do not use it fully effectively. They do not monitor individual and groups of children's progress successfully, to identify any less obvious gaps in learning, to help focus teaching more precisely.
- On occasion, staff do not manage group activities well. Some children find it hard to concentrate and listen. They fidget and disrupt other children's learning.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- enhance monitoring of individual and groups of children, to track their progress and identify any gaps in learning to help focus teaching more precisely
- consider the size of group activities and children's abilities to enhance their listening skills and engagement in learning.

Inspection activities

- The inspector held discussions with the manager about staff's suitability.
- The inspector held discussions with the staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector looked at a sample of documentation, including safeguarding policies, staff training and children's development records.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector observed the staff's teaching and interactions with children.

Inspector

Ruth George

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is good

The manager and staff have reflected on their practice since the last inspection. They have worked with the local authority to bring about improvements. The manager and staff have put in place effective measures to support children who find it difficult to manage their feelings. Children learn to respect their friends and play amicably together. The manager has implemented improved documentation to record any incidents and makes referrals to the appropriate authorities to ensure children and families receive any support they require. The manager ensures staff have a good knowledge of child protection. They recognise signs that show a child may be at risk of harm, and know the referral process and whistle-blowing procedures to keep them safe. Staff understand to be vigilant to changes in either parents' or children's behaviours, such as stronger beliefs and how these could lead them into unsafe situations. Safeguarding is effective.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff observe and assess children's development, and thoughtfully plan themed activities that capture children's interest. For example, children make representations of pumpkins using crayons, tissue paper and glue. Staff use books to explain how pumpkins grow and children examine and touch the texture of the different sized pumpkins before they set to work. Staff play alongside children and extend their imaginary games to challenge and extend their learning. Children enjoy shopping for vegetables and name them as they put them in paper bags. Staff ask children the names of the vegetables and repeat back clearly the right pronunciation. Staff encourage children to count the money to pay the shopkeeper.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff build good relationships with parents and they work closely together to help children settle and build on their learning at home. Staff encourage children to become independent learners. Children are inquisitive and make choices about what they want to do. They quickly learn the routines and a sense of time. For example, they know when the trolley arrives they can go to the table for snack but not before washing their hands. Staff teach children to put on their coats before they go outside. They show children how to thread the pin at the bottom into the slider and pull up the zip. Staff provide children with physical challenges, such as to climb over a caterpillar tunnel. They build in an element of risk, as children work out how to pull themselves up and over safely, landing securely.

Outcomes for children are good

Children develop a good range of skills that prepares them for future learning. They enjoy activities that support development of their muscles for writing. Children learn to write for a purpose. They chalk on the pavement outside, label their work, write letters and put them in envelopes for their parents. All children, including those who learn English as an additional language, are becoming confident communicators. Children develop good physical skills. They balance, climb and learn to kick balls with precision. Children build good friendships and play cooperatively. For example, in the mud kitchen they take it in turns to put the pot in the oven.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY102894	
Local authority	Enfield	
Inspection number	10079649	
Type of provision	Full day care	
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register	
Day care type	Childcare on non-domestic premises	
Age range of children	2 - 4	
Total number of places	40	
Number of children on roll	28	
Name of registered person	Little Wellingtons Pre-School Limited	
Registered person unique reference number	RP535225	
Date of previous inspection	12 December 2017	
Telephone number	020 8360 6439	

Little Wellingtons Pre-School registered in 2001. It is open each weekday from 9am to 3.30pm, term time only. The pre-school is in receipt of funding for the provision of free early education for children aged three and four. The nursery employs 10 staff, including the manager, two bank staff and a kitchen assistant. The manager has a qualification at level 5, and seven staff hold relevant childcare qualifications at level 3.

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