

Daisy Chain Nursery (Emsworth)

99 Havant Road, Emsworth, Hampshire, PO10 7LF



Inspection date

4 April 2016

Previous inspection date

12 October 2009

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Outstanding	1
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Outstanding	1
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Outstanding	1
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Outstanding	1
Outcomes for children		Outstanding	1

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is outstanding

- The leadership and management team works exceptionally well with staff to reflect on practice and provide children with a high-quality learning environment.
- Staff are highly qualified and use their knowledge and expertise to follow each child's interests and build upon what they know and can do. Children are excited to learn and remain highly engaged and focused during the challenging activities.
- Staff complete detailed assessments of children's achievements, and leadership and management accurately monitor their progress. Staff observe children and plan activities meticulously to challenge and extend what children know.
- Staff provide exceptional support for children who require some additional help, disabled children and those who have special educational needs. Staff have highly effective partnerships with parents and other professionals and together they help children to progress. All children make outstanding progress in their learning.
- Children develop excellent relationships with staff, who are kind and attentive to their individual needs. All staff promote a harmonious and friendly environment, and value and respect children's views and ideas.
- Parents speak highly of the staff and value the regular exchanges of information about their children's progress. The excellent relationship between the staff and parents makes a strong contribution to helping parents to promote their children's learning at home.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- extend opportunities for children to practise using technology for a purpose.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed teaching practice and the impact this had on children's learning.
- The inspector spoke to staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector spoke to parents and considered their views.
- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability of all staff, a selection of children's records, safeguarding policies and discussed the self-evaluation process.

Inspector

Tara Naylor

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

The leadership and management team is inspirational, and fully supports staff to maintain the outstanding learning environment for children. Leadership and management evaluate staff practice highly effectively to identify improvements and skilfully encourage staff's professional development. For example, recent training has strengthened the already excellent partnerships with parents to support learning at home even further. The leadership and management team has built excellent relationships with local schools; they work very closely together to prepare children for their move to school. Safeguarding is effective. Leadership and management ensure all staff have an excellent knowledge of how to keep children safe, and they have a very secure knowledge of what action to take if they have concerns about a child.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Staff provide an extensive range of activities that children thoroughly enjoy. Leadership and management have identified that staff do not always encourage children to practise using technology. Staff get to know individual children extremely well and interact exceptionally well to challenge and extend their learning. For example, they encourage older children to develop their excellent mathematical skills to work out how many children are seated at the table, and use subtraction to work out how many spaces are left. Staff who work with younger children use everyday opportunities to inspire their learning. They have high expectations of what children can achieve and provide many new experiences and challenges. For instance, staff talk to them about what they can see from the window and encourage them to draw what they see.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Staff are kind and very attentive to all children's needs. Babies flourish in the nursery and develop strong bonds with the staff. Staff support their emotional needs exceptionally well. Children develop high levels of self-esteem and confidence, and relish opportunities to play with staff and other children, to enrich their learning. For example, children play happily together in the nursery garden. They confidently refine their physical coordination through an excellent range of well-thought-out activities by staff.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Children develop outstanding skills that prepare them exceptionally well for school. They are highly motivated to learn. For instance, older children confidently recognise letters and sounds, and blend sounds together to make words such as 'zebra'. Children are highly independent and learn to manage many tasks and new skills. For example, young children's confidence grows as they learn to walk along a beam unaided. Children behave exceptionally well; they negotiate to resolve disputes and learn to share toys.

Setting details

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Local authority	Hampshire
Inspection number	827410
Type of provision	Full-time provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	0 - 4
Total number of places	36
Number of children on roll	86
Name of provider	Daisy Chain Nursery
Date of previous inspection	12 October 2009
Telephone number	01243 370 401

Daisy Chain Nursery registered in 2006. It operates in Emsworth, Hampshire. The nursery opens Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm, for most of the year. The nursery receives funding to provide free early education for children aged two, three and four years. There are 18 staff; all staff have an early years qualification at level 2 or above. The manager holds Early Years Teacher Status.

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