

Beechwood Childcare Limited



Haslucks Green Nursery, Haslucks Green Junior School, Haslucks Green Road, Shirley, SOLIHULL, West Midlands, B90 2EJ

Inspection date	9 April 2018
Previous inspection date	2 September 2014

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the 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

This provision is good

- Leadership and management support staff well with their ongoing professional development. For example, they meet regularly with staff to reflect on the quality of teaching and learning, and to provide training opportunities. Recent training has helped staff to extend their skills and the provision for children's learning outdoors.
- Staff provide children with quality interactions and respond well to their emerging interests. For instance, staff change the resources available to enhance children's play ideas. Children use magnifying glasses to further investigate the insects and worms they find. They make good progress in their learning.
- Staff enhance children's imaginative play skilfully. Children express their ideas confidently and use the stimulating outdoor areas and equipment to inspire role play. They develop storylines, such as a bee who cannot fly because he does not have wings, and pretend to use magic wands to turn people purple or into frogs.
- Children develop good social skills and play together harmoniously. They link hands as they dance together and enjoy involving friends in their play.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not fully consider ways to extend children's learning even further, during some adult-led activities, to help them make the best possible progress.
- Staff do not make full use of daily routines to help children to learn about making healthy food and drink choices.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- provide children with an even greater level of challenge during adult-led activities to extend their thinking skills further
- increase opportunities for children to learn about making healthy food and drink choices.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed teaching practices and the impact these have on children's learning.
- The inspector held discussions with the manager, staff, children and parents.
- The inspector read some of the setting's documentation, including the safeguarding policy and procedures.
- The inspector sampled children's development information and records.
- The inspector carried out joint observations with the manager.

Inspector

Anne Clift

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. Staff have a good understanding of how to protect children and understand the procedures to follow if they have concerns about any child's welfare. They supervise children vigilantly and know the procedures they must follow if a child has an accident. Staff partnerships with parents are strong and help to provide continuity in children's learning and development. Staff update parents on their children's progress regularly and share ideas to support continuity of care and learning at home. For example, children take home book activity packs to share with their family members. The manager reviews any complaints thoroughly. Effective evaluation, and a commitment from leaders and staff to continuous improvement, has enabled the setting to maintain its good-quality service since the last inspection. For example, staff visit other settings to share practice and gain new ideas to benefit children.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff monitor children's progress closely. They make regular observations of children's development and plan effectively to move them on to their next stage in learning. Staff use children's interests to provide exciting activities that encourage them to explore and investigate. Children learn about the diets and habitats of different creatures. They show a deep interest in the activities of bees, learn new vocabulary, such as 'nectar', and taste honey. Children observe changes as they mix ingredients to make bread. Staff support children's mathematical understanding skilfully as they play. Children compare the weight and lengths of objects, and learn how to measure using scales.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff are warm and friendly, and children build strong bonds with them. Children behave well and staff use effective ways to help children to learn about managing their feelings and behaviour. Staff support children's independence successfully and provide many opportunities for them to become independent in managing their needs. Children develop their sense of responsibility about keeping themselves and others safe. They help to identify any potential risks before they use the outdoor area and suggest how these can be eliminated.

Outcomes for children are good

Children gain a wealth of useful skills that prepares them successfully for their future learning. They are keen to practise their writing and give meaning to the marks they make. Children talk about the different features on maps they have made and use these to give clear instructions. They progress well with their communication and language development. Children practise their physical skills, balance carefully and learn how to jump safely. They concentrate as they use scissors to cut paper into desired shapes.

Setting details

Unique reference number	250008
Local authority	Solihull
Inspection number	1103287
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	1 - 4
Total number of places	39
Number of children on roll	36
Name of registered person	Beechwood Childcare Limited
Registered person unique reference number	RP522996
Date of previous inspection	2 September 2014
Telephone number	0121 733 6816

Beechwood Childcare Limited registered in 1992. The nursery is situated at Haslucks Green. It opens from Monday to Friday, from 7.30am until 6pm all year, except for bank holidays. It also provides before- and after-school provision. The nursery employs six staff. Of these, one holds early years professional status. One is qualified at level 4 and three are qualified at level 3. The nursery receives funding to provide free early education to two-, three- and four-year-old children.

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