

Little Jungle Nursery

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Inspection date	24 October 2017
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
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 provider implements highly effective systems to carefully monitor and evaluate the quality of the provision well. Extremely close consideration is given to the views of parents and children when making decisions about future priorities. The provider achieves significantly high standards and fosters a culture of continual improvement.
- Staff receive exemplary support to further enhance their good teaching practice and complete regular training to maintain their expertise. They benefit from the excellent knowledge and skills of an exceptional leadership team. Leaders also work with the provider's other site nearby.
- Effective arrangements ensure skilled and suitable people are available at all times. Staff receive a consistently high level of good advice, including when the nursery manager is not present. Children enjoy taking part in highly stimulating activities in the excellent environment, inside and outside. They are very happy, confident and secure.
- Leaders and managers are highly ambitious for the children in their care. They work collaboratively to ensure that every available opportunity is used to extend children's critical thinking. This contributes to the very good progress that all children make.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- review the excellent arrangements for routine activities to engage children even further.

Inspection activities

- The inspector reviewed information, including learning records for children, leadership action plans, documents relating to staff, and systems for monitoring groups of children.
- The inspector assessed the quality of interactions between staff and children and the impact of these on children's learning.
- The inspector jointly observed and discussed a children's activity with a member of the leadership team.
- Discussions were held with staff and children at appropriate times.
- The inspector considered the views of parents during the inspection visit.

Inspector

Kareen Anne Jacobs

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. Staff are vigilant and share relevant information with leaders. This helps to assure children's safety and promote their good welfare. Staff know how to identify possible signs of harm to children and when to report concerns. The provider has a very good understanding of what to do if concerns arise, follows accurate reporting procedures, and works effectively with outside agencies when necessary. The ongoing suitability of staff is regularly reviewed. The provider has developed very effective risk assessment procedures which staff implement well. Leaders put children at the heart of what they do. Child-centred practice is instilled within the staff team. Very strong partnerships are used to further enhance the professional development of staff within the setting and beyond. For example, shared visits with local schools and other providers allow the nursery's exemplary practice to be shared.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Children's learning and progress are very closely monitored. Potential gaps in learning rapidly close as a result of the targeted support given to children and the expert advice given to staff. For example, leaders facilitate regular meetings with staff to closely analyse children's learning. They work very well together to precisely plan experiences that build on children's interests. Children's ideas are highly valued. Staff use skilful questioning to allow them to work things out for themselves. For example, children discover a way of collecting water from the 'leaky' tap so that they can wet the dry soil in the mud kitchen and mix together. Staff give children many opportunities to learn about the natural world. For example, discussions about where spiders may live happen during creative activities. Children's learning is consistently extended, such as when they go on to explore the patterns that spider webs make. This supports their excellent mathematical development. Consideration is now being given to reorganising the excellent routines to fully engage children at all times.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Key staff know children well and they form very secure emotional bonds. Staff give very high levels of praise and consistently acknowledge children's achievements and efforts. Children demonstrate extremely positive behaviour towards each other. Staff help children to develop a strong sense of themselves, such as when they speak or sing songs in children's home languages. Children rapidly gain confidence in social situations. For example, during the inspection they introduced themselves, wrote their names on paper and used tape to secure the 'name badges' they made onto their clothes.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Pre-school children confidently link sounds to letters as they write and spell out their names phonetically. Children demonstrate that they are motivated, curious and independent learners. All make consistently rapid progress and are very well prepared for their next stages in learning and for their moves on to school.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY491083
Local authority	Southwark
Inspection number	1021571
Type of provision	Full-time provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register
Age range of children	2 - 4
Total number of places	60
Number of children on roll	79
Name of registered person	Little Jungle Nursery Ltd
Registered person unique reference number	RP903488
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	0207 277 7171

Little Jungle Nursery registered in 2015. It is located in the Peckham area of the London Borough of Southwark. The nursery is open Monday to Friday from 7.30am to 6.30pm all year. It receives funding for the provision of free early education for children aged two, three and four years. A total of 20 staff works directly with the children. Of these, one has early years professional status, 14 hold qualifications at level 3 or above, and one member of staff holds a qualification at level 2.

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