

Reigate Park Church Playgroup

Park Lane East, Reigate, Surrey, RH2 8BD



Inspection date	8 February 2016
Previous inspection date	5 July 2011

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Inadequate	4
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Inadequate	4
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Inadequate	4
Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is inadequate

- The provider is in breach of some requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage that relate to children's safety and welfare.
- The provider has not considered how to prevent unauthorised persons accessing the areas of the premises where children are cared for, to protect their well-being and safety.
- The manager and staff do not use risk assessments effectively to identify and minimise all possible hazards to children, to promote their safety.
- Self-evaluation is not used effectively to identify breaches in requirements and target improvements to keep children safe.

It has the following strengths

- All children, including those with special educational needs and those who speak English as an additional language, make good progress in their learning.
- Staff maintain close relationships with children. This helps children feel secure and confident to explore with increasing confidence and independence.
- Children enjoy a range of activities that help them learn and understand about each other's differences and other people in the wider world.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

To meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage the provider must:

	Due Date
■ implement procedures to prevent unauthorised persons accessing areas of the premises where children are cared for	04/03/2016
■ improve risk assessments to identify and minimise all possible hazards to children.	04/03/2016

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

- use self-evaluation to accurately identify weaknesses in requirements and target areas to improve children's welfare and safety.

Inspection activities

- The inspector toured the premises and observed the impact of teaching on children's enjoyment, learning and development.
- The inspector spoke with parents to gain an understanding of their views.
- The inspector completed a joint observation of an activity with the manager.
- The inspector sampled a range of documentation.
- The inspector spoke with the manager and staff about their practice and the impact on children's outcomes.

Inspector

Claire Watson

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is inadequate

Safeguarding is ineffective. The provider has not recognised the dangers of unknown people who use facilities in the building accessing the parts where the playgroup operates. Risk assessments are not effective in identifying and minimising these dangers to children. The management team involves parents, children and staff in evaluating the quality of the playgroup practices and helps identify areas for improvement. However, there are some weaknesses in evaluating how well the requirements are met. Staff attend training to help them improve their knowledge and understanding of how children learn. They receive ongoing support for their professional development and the manager is developing this further to help them raise the good-quality of teaching even further.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff make accurate observations and assessments of children's learning and development that enables effective monitoring of their progress. The well-qualified staff team effectively plans positive activities that meet children's individual learning needs. They promote children's mathematical development and early literacy skills well, to help prepare them for school. There are good relationships between parents and their children's key-person. For example, parents share information about children's learning experiences at home and are aware of how their children are progressing. Staff are positive role models and encourage children to behave well. For example, children are kind, respectful to each other and learn how to share.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are inadequate

Weaknesses assessing risks have a significant impact on children's welfare. Staff cannot ensure children are safe from unknown persons on the premises. Children begin to understand that exercise is good for them, for example, staff encourage and join in with physical play outside. Children choose what they want to play with from a variety of stimulating and age-appropriate resources. They are keen to 'have a go' and learn from their mistakes. Staff encourage children to eat healthily and promote their awareness of healthy lifestyles. For example, they talk to children at snack time about how fruit and vegetables are good for them.

Outcomes for children are good

Children show increasing levels of confidence and independence. They listen carefully to adults and play happily together. Children develop positive skills, ready for their move on to school. They are keen to practise their early writing skills.

Setting details

Unique reference number	122644
Local authority	Surrey
Inspection number	840420
Type of provision	Sessional provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Registers	Early Years Register
Age range of children	2 - 5
Total number of places	24
Number of children on roll	38
Name of provider	Reigate Park Church Playgroup Committee
Date of previous inspection	5 July 2011
Telephone number	01737 241530

Reigate Park Church Playgroup registered in 1994 and is in Reigate, Surrey. The playgroup is open from 9.15am until 12.15pm Monday to Friday and from 1pm until 3.30pm on Tuesday to Thursday. There are nine staff, six of whom have relevant qualifications to at least level 3. This includes two staff who have Qualified Teacher Status. The playgroup receives funding to provide free early education for children aged two, three and four years.

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