

The Hullbridge Preschool

Riverside Primary School, Ferry Road, HOCKLEY, SS5 6ND

Inspection date	25/02/2014
Previous inspection date	Not Applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	2
	Previous inspection:	Not Applicable
How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend		2
The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children		2
The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision		2

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This provision is good

- Staff have a very good understanding of individual children's development, resulting in purposeful teaching interactions that supports all children to make good progress.
- Children are able to choose their activities for themselves and their play is extended by sensitive and skilled staff. Children are, therefore, developing and strengthening their concentration skills as they become engrossed in play of their choosing.
- The leadership team are committed to improving their practice and the new manager has highlighted further areas to strengthen practice in order to continue to provide good outcomes for children.
- All staff are knowledgeable about the safeguarding policy and regular training ensures that their knowledge is updated. Consequently, children are kept safe and protected from harm.
- Partnerships with parents are good and parents explain that effective communication with the pre-school keeps them informed about their children's learning.

It is not yet outstanding because

- Occasionally, staff do not use positive techniques to fully support children's understanding of acceptable behaviour.
- There is scope to increase opportunities to aid literacy development. For example, by providing name cards to support children's writing, and by providing opportunities for children to hear and say phonic letter sounds.

