

Westlea After School, Breakfast & Holiday Club

Inspection report for early years provision

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Introduction

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The setting also makes provision for children older than the early years age group which is registered on the voluntary and/or compulsory part(s) of the Childcare Register. This report does not include an evaluation of that provision, but a comment about compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register is included in Annex B.

There were no children on roll when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children on roll, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states if the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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Description of the setting

Westlea After School Club, Breakfast Club and Holiday Playscheme opened in 1991. It was registered in 1992 and is currently registered on the Early Years Register and both the voluntary and compulsory parts of the Childcare Register. It operates mainly from one mobile unit, The Sunshine Room, but another unit is available to the club if necessary. The club is situated on the site of Westlea Primary School, Westlea, Swindon.

A maximum of 30 children may attend the club or playscheme at any one time and a further 21 children can be accommodated in the second mobile unit. The playscheme is open each weekday during school holidays from 7.45am to 6pm and the club from 7.45am to 8.45am and 3.30pm to 6pm during school term time. All children share a secure enclosed outdoor play area. There are currently 29 children from four to 12 years on roll, none of whom are early years age range at this time. Children come from the local catchment area during term time, and from a wider area during the playscheme. The club and the playscheme currently supports a number of children with special needs and they welcome those whose home language is not English.

The after-school club and holiday playscheme employs two full-time staff, the manager holds a level 3 qualification and the playworker holds a level 2 qualification. The setting receives support from the Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership and has strong links with the host school.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

Westlea After school club, Breakfast Club and Holiday Playscheme is a fully inclusive club where every child matters and is unique. Adults ensure children integrate fully and are involved in all the activities. They make the most of diversity and celebrate the difference positively. Children feel safe and secure and develop a good sense of belonging. Children must wear a yellow jacket when they go into the playground so they are easily recognised by the staff. Staff also wear yellow jackets for the same reason. The playground is used by other groups after school has finished. Children are safe in the club because all staff are vigilant and follow the club policies and procedure. The policies are available to parents and visitors if requested. These have not been reviewed for some time. Risk assessments are diligently carried out before children arrive but these have not been reviewed for some time nor has there been a fire drill this term. The deputy and manager have a good understanding of the strengths of the club and the capacity to make the necessary changes. They are fully aware that the paperwork side needs attention. All the recommendations from the previous report have been addressed and there is a commitment to continuous improvement. There are opportunities for both indoor and outdoor learning with a wide variety of resources for children to choose from. Daily planning the activities includes many different types of play to support children's development. There are adult directed activities and the children can also decide what they wish to work and play at. Staff are consistent in their behavior management and children respect this. The older children support the

younger ones and there is a family feeling here. Parents are fully informed about their child's time at the club as the staff record what the children do photographically and written record. Parents appreciate all the hard work the staff do to ensure their children are happy and enjoy their time in the club. Children eat healthily have plenty of exercise and many experiences here that will prepare them for the future.

Compliance with registration requirements

The registered person continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are: Met

The provider confirms that the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are: Met