

Kenrick Park Playcentre

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

Kenrick Park Playcentre opened in 2006 and is organised by the Sandwell Adventure Play Association (SAPA). The group operates from the Kenrick Park Community Centre in West Bromwich. Children have access to a secure enclosed play area within the park.

A maximum of 16 children aged from four to eight years may attend the club at any one time. It is the admission policy of the club to allow children up to the age of 14 years to attend. The setting operates on an open access basis. Opening times are from 3.15pm until 6.15pm each weekday all year round.

The organisation employs two staff to work with the children, one of whom holds an appropriate qualification. The setting receives support from the local authority. At the time of this inspection there were no children on roll in the early years age group.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

Staff demonstrate through discussion and documentation, their appropriate understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage to support children in making progress towards the early learning goals. The setting also follows the playwork principles to guide the play and learning opportunities for children. The setting has systems in place to observe and assess what children can do in order to plan the next steps in learning. Systems are in place to record this information in individual learning journals. Through the planning of activities both indoors and out, means that children can take part in arts and craft activities, outdoor play, role play, story sessions, board games to promote their enjoyment whilst at the setting. A range of resources and activities are available that promote diversity and help children to learn about a wider society.

Staff demonstrate through discussion their secure understanding of what to do if they have any safeguarding concerns. The safeguarding policy includes the action to take should they have any concerns about a child in their care. The premises are safe and secure, with risk assessments in place. These are combined with a daily check on all areas used by the children. The required policies and procedures are in place to meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. All of the necessary documentation is available for recording children's attendance, accidents and medication.

Staff recognise the importance of working in partnership with parents, other agencies and providers of the Early Years Foundation Stage, to ensure children get the support they need and promote continuity of care and learning. Information is shared to ensure the individual needs of children are met. Processes for managing children's behaviour are in place and staff promote good behaviour through positive role modelling, rewards, praise and encouragement. Staff encourage children to become involved in the process for determining the boundaries for the setting.

Staff demonstrate a commitment to improvement and keep abreast of changes. They are aware of the quality improvement processes, such as self-evaluation and are aware of the strengths and areas for development in order to improve the service provided.

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