

Midland Mencap Saturday Playscheme

Midland Mencap, Kennedy House, Bottetourt Road, Birmingham, B29 5TE

Inspection date	14/07/2014
Previous inspection date	04/02/2012

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Met
	Previous inspection:	1

The quality and standards of the early years provision

The provision meets requirements

- Staff clearly understand their responsibility to safeguard children and are very knowledgeable about the possible signs and symptoms of abuse and neglect. They are fully conversant with the procedures to follow, should they have a concern, so that children are protected from harm.
- Staff demonstrate a secure knowledge of how young children learn and develop at different rates. Through discussion, they clearly articulate how planning will take account of the learning styles and preferences for each child so that activities are sufficiently focused to meet their individual needs.
- Staff show through discussion, how they will work closely with all parents, carers and other settings that children attend so that they can build on children's previous experiences, knowledge, understanding and skills in order to promote continuity in children's care and learning.
- Staff show through their discussions, how they will promote sensitivity and dignity at all times so that all children feel secure, respected and develop a sense of trust.
- Staff have a clear understanding of how they will implement carefully planned routines and individual care plans, so that each child's safety and well-being is effectively and consistently promoted.
- Staff have effective systems in place to evaluate and reflect on their practice so that they can analyse their strengths and areas for further improvements to enhance outcomes for children.

Information about this inspection

Inspections of registered early years provision are:

- scheduled at least once in every inspection cycle – the current cycle ends on 31 July 2016
- scheduled more frequently where Ofsted identifies a need to do so, for example where provision was previously judged inadequate
- brought forward in the inspection cycle where Ofsted has received information that suggests the provision may not be meeting the legal requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage or where assessment of the provision identifies a need for early inspection
- prioritised where we have received information that the provision is not meeting the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage and which suggests children may not be safe
- scheduled at the completion of an investigation into failure to comply with the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

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 whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

The provision is also registered on the voluntary and compulsory parts of the Childcare Register. This report includes a judgment about compliance with the requirements of that register.

Inspection activities

- The inspector and provider went round the areas of the premises where child care is provided
- The inspector and provider looked at planning, resources and equipment.
- The inspector discussed with the provider how the individual needs of each child are met to support their care, learning and development.
- The inspector looked at policies, procedures and documentation required for the safe and efficient management of the setting.
- The inspector checked evidence of suitability and training of the provider and staff.
- The inspector discussed the provider's self-evaluation form and improvement plan.

Inspector

Sally Smith

Full report

Information about the setting

Midland Mencap Saturday Playscheme was registered in 1993 and is on the Early Years Register and compulsory and voluntary part of the childcare register. It operates from premises, in Weoley Castle, Birmingham. There is a fully enclosed outdoor play area. The group is open every Saturday from 10am to 3.30pm and is available 40 weekend sessions per year, plus 12 holiday sessions which are spread over the school holidays. The group also opens for some Sundays. Children come from across the city and attend for a variety of sessions. The setting supports children with special educational needs and/or disabilities and a number of children who speak English as an additional language. The group employs 30 practitioners, the majority of whom hold full and relevant qualifications to level 3. The setting receives support from the local authority. There were no children in the early years age range on roll at the time of this inspection.

The Childcare Register

The requirements for the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are	Met
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The requirements for the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are	Met
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What inspection judgements mean

Registered early years provision

Grade	Judgement	Description
Grade 1	Outstanding	Outstanding provision is highly effective in meeting the needs of all children exceptionally well. This ensures that children are very well prepared for the next stage of their learning.
Grade 2	Good	Good provision is effective in delivering provision that meets the needs of all children well. This ensures children are ready for the next stage of their learning.
Grade 3	Requires improvement	The provision is not giving children a good standard of early years education and/or there are minor breaches of the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. It will be monitored and inspected within twelve months of the date of this inspection.
Grade 4	Inadequate	Provision that is inadequate requires significant improvement and/or enforcement action. The provision is failing to give children an acceptable standard of early years education and/or is not meeting the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. It will be monitored and inspected again within six months of the date of this inspection.
Met		The provision has no children on roll. The inspection judgement is that the provider continues to meet the requirements for registration.
Not met		The provision has no children on roll. The inspection judgement is that the provider does not meet the requirements for registration.

Inspection

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Setting details

Unique reference number	509308
Local authority	Birmingham
Inspection number	848040
Type of provision	
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	0 - 17
Total number of places	25
Number of children on roll	80
Name of provider	Midland Mencap
Date of previous inspection	04/02/2012
Telephone number	0121 256 1500

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and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. They are registered on the Early Years Register and pay the lower fee for registration.

Childminders care for one or more children where individual children attend for a period of more than two hours in any one day. They operate from domestic premises, which are usually the childminder's own home. They are registered on the Early Years Register and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Out of school provision may be sessional or full-time provision and is delivered before or after school and/or in the summer holidays. They are registered on the Early Years Register and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. Where children receive their Early Years Foundation Stage in school these providers do not have to deliver the learning and development requirements in full but should complement the experiences children receive in school.

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