Village End After School Club



All Saints Church Hall, London Road, Ascot, Berkshire, SL5 8DQ

Inspection date Previous inspection date		21 January 2015 2 March 2009		
The quality and standards of the	This inspection:		Good	2
early years provision	Previous inspection:		Satisfactory	3
How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend			Good	2
The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children			Good	2
The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision			Good	2
The setting meets legal requirements for early years settings				

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Staff form positive relationships with children and offer a range of interesting activities that children enjoy. As a result, children are happy and settle quickly.
- Children follow good hygiene routines. They enjoy healthy snacks and meals which promotes their good health.
- Partnerships with parents and the schools that children attend are good. They share information. This provides continuity for children's care and learning needs.
- Children have opportunities for active play indoors and outside, which promotes their physical development and well-being effectively.
- Recruitment procedures are robust. Checks are undertaken to ensure the staff are suitable to work with children. This helps to ensure children's safety.
- Children play cooperatively. This provides children with good opportunities to gain confidence and to develop their social skills, to support their future learning.

It is not yet outstanding because:

The staff have not considered ways to increase children's independence at mealtimes by serving their own meals and pouring their own drinks.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

■ provide further opportunities for children to develop independence at meal times.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the setting.
- The inspector observed children and staff.
- The inspector examined a sample of policies, paperwork and other documents.
- The inspector discussed the clubs self-evaluation process.
- The inspector spoke to parents and children to gain their views.

Inspector

Alison Southard

Inspection findings

How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend. This is good

Staff provide children with a range of activities that effectively complement their learning in school. They implement the key person system well. The staff gain information about children's care needs and abilities before they start. They maintain positive relationships with parents by regularly sharing information about children's achievements and the events of the day. Staff plan interesting activities that reflect children's individual interests and needs effectively. They make time to sit and play, successfully extending children's enjoyment and understanding. Staff promote children's understanding of the world around them by celebrating different festivals. They talk to children constantly, asking them questions about what they are doing and offering encouragement for them to explore their own ideas. Children show good speaking and listening skills and follow staff instructions well. Throughout the club, children are engaged, busy, and make good use of their learning environment.

The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children is good

Staff promote children's emotional well-being effectively. They help new children to settle quickly and ensure that they feel secure. Staff are good role models with regard to behaviour and social skills. They speak to children in a caring manner and use skilful questions to help them to resolve any problems between them. Consequently, behaviour is good and children of all ages interact well together. The atmosphere at the club is relaxing, which gives the club a different feel for children to make independent choices about their play and learning. Staff support children to develop their self-care skills and children enjoy healthy, well-balanced meals. However, staff have not fully considered involving children in the preparation of their meal, to strengthen their independent self-care skills. For example, children do not serve themselves, or pour their own drinks.

The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision is good

The management and staff demonstrate a secure understanding of their responsibilities to meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. They follow effective systems to safeguard children and promote their welfare. For example, they attend relevant safeguarding training, understand the process to follow should they have concerns about a child and carry out risk assessments daily. Staff supervise children closely, and regularly practise safety procedures with them. This minimises potential risks and hazards to children effectively. The manager supports the staff with their professional development, through regular discussions and by identifying training needs to improve practice. The management and staff discuss changes and enhancements they make to the club, as a result of reflecting on their practice and gaining feedback from parents and children.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY383966	
Local authority	Windsor & Maidenhead	
Inspection number	844555	
Type of provision	Out of school provision	
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic	
Age range of children	3 - 8	
Total number of places	30	
Number of children on roll	9	
Name of provider	Village End Partnership	
Date of previous inspection	2 March 2009	
Telephone number	01344 623668	

Village End After School Club is privately owned and registered in 2008. It is registered on the Early Years Register, and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. It comprises of a breakfast club, an after school club and a holiday play scheme, although currently only the after school club is operating. It operates from All Saints Church Hall, Ascot, Berkshire. The club makes use of the main hall, kitchen and toilet facilities. The after school club is open during term time from 3pm to 6pm. When operating, the breakfast club hours are between 7:30a.m. to 8:50a.m. and the holiday play-scheme between 7:30a.m. to 6pm. Currently there are nine children on roll in the early years age range. All children share access to a secure, enclosed outdoor play area. There are five staff who work with the children, two of whom have relevant childcare qualifications.

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