

Wise Owl Kids Den at Bottesford Infant School



Bottesford Infant School, Manor Road, SCUNTHORPE, South Humberside, DN16 3PB

Inspection date	28 January 2015
Previous inspection date	18 November 2011

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	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

- The quality of teaching and learning is good as staff have a secure understanding of how children learn. This ensures all children make progress in their learning.
- Children are happy, settled and confident in their environment. This is because staff provide warm and positive relationships.
- Staff demonstrate clear expectations and boundaries for all children. As a result, children's behaviour is good.
- Staff ensure children are safe in an environment that is secure. Staff demonstrate a good knowledge and understanding of safeguarding procedures and all other aspects of safety to protect children in their care.
- Leadership and management are strong. Through well-considered reflection, priorities for improvement are identified and appropriate action is taken to continually raise the quality of the provision.
- Strong partnerships with the school mean that the club effectively complements children's experiences at school and, as a result, children are well prepared for their next stage in learning.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Resources to extend children's imaginative play are not extensive for the younger children in the setting. As a result, younger children do not develop their imaginative play to the optimum.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- increase the range of resources to further enable children to develop their imaginative play, for example, through providing items that can be used for role play.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities in the main hall, and in the outdoor learning environment.
- The inspector conducted a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the manager of the setting and spoke to staff and children throughout the inspection when appropriate.
- The inspector looked at children's records, planning documentation, and a range of other documentation, including policies and procedures.
- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability and qualifications of the staff working with the children, and the setting's evidence of self-evaluation.
- The inspector took account of the views of parents and carers spoken to on the day.

Inspector

Samantha Hoyes

Inspection findings

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

The quality of teaching is good. Staff gather the views of the children through circle times and observations and use these to plan and provide a wide range of resources for all children. This means that generally, the setting provides a good range of activities to promote children's learning and development across the seven areas. However, there is scope to develop younger children's imaginative play further. For example, through the use of role play, dressing up or the introduction of resources from other cultures to develop children's imagination. Staff use a variety of questioning techniques to support children's curiosity and develop children's ideas. Staff respond sensitively and encourage children to persevere. This means that children are developing a positive attitude to their learning. Staff have close links with school and regularly input into children's learning files. This ensures that children's learning is complemented both at school and after school. Parents note that they are happy with the care received and comment that their children are always happy to attend.

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

Children are supported on entry to the setting through robust information gathering and settling-in sessions, if needed. This ensures children's individual needs are well met and they are confident in their environment. Children's behaviour is good. This is because staff provide clear and consistent boundaries. They reinforce positive behaviour and use effective techniques to help children know what is expected of them. For example, they use tambourines to gain children's attention and children all listen carefully to staff's instructions. Children have opportunities to engage in physical play as they access the outdoor area and show that they are developing self-care skills, as they wrap up warm in the snow. Children are encouraged to develop healthy lifestyles. This is because staff take time to explain routines, such as hand washing, talking about cause and effect so children understand the importance. Children develop their independence as they serve themselves at tea time, trying different foods and learning about portion sizes.

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

Leadership and management are strong. The manager has a secure knowledge of the learning and development requirements and, consequently, these are all met. Staff know how to keep children safe, reinforced by thorough policies and procedures. All previous actions and recommendations have been met. This demonstrates the setting's commitment to improve. Staff are actively encouraged to further their qualifications. Regular supervisions, appraisals and observations of practice ensure that staff continue to develop the skills needed to enhance children's learning. Training is provided when needed and is tailored accurately. Managers continue to reflect and evaluate the provision and effective partnerships with the school, parents and local authority enhance this process.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY420004
Local authority	North Lincolnshire
Inspection number	875674
Type of provision	
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	0 - 17
Total number of places	30
Number of children on roll	55
Name of provider	Wise Owl Private Day Nursery Ltd.
Date of previous inspection	18 November 2011
Telephone number	01724 330 009

Wise Owl Kids Den was registered in 2010. It operates from Bottesford Infant School. The setting is open during term time only, providing a breakfast club from 7.50am to 8.50am and after school sessions from 3.15pm until 5.45pm. The setting employs five members of childcare staff. Of these, three hold appropriate early years qualifications, including one with Qualified Teacher Status.

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