

SCL - Club Energy

Hatchwarren Community Centre, Long Cross Lane, Hatch Warren, Basingstoke, Hampshire, RG22 4XF



Inspection date	17 February 2015
Previous inspection date	11 April 2011

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
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 are very good role models for children's behaviour. They are smart, very welcoming, polite and attentive to the children and their parents. Their high expectations enhance the fun and enjoyment children experience in the setting.
- Children enjoy a busy day with good opportunities to undertake both planned and independent activities which encourage their skills across each area of learning.
- Staff share clear safety guidance effectively with children. This helps children develop an awareness of how to keep them and the people around them safe as they undertake their activities.
- Children learn about a healthy lifestyle through the routine of the day and reminders about good hygiene. They are developing an awareness of how physical activity has a positive impact on their bodies and understand the importance of having regular drinks.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Creative activities are overly prescriptive, and do not enable the children to use the materials to express themselves independently.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- improve children's opportunities to be independent in their creative activities.

Inspection activities

- The inspector toured the premises and resources and observed an activity with the manager.
- The inspector observed the children and staff at play.
- The inspector examined records and documents provided by the manager.
- The inspector discussed the provision with parents.
- The inspector read the provider's self-evaluation.

Inspector

Lynne Lewington

Inspection findings

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

Staff talk to children about the plan for the day which helps them to understand and prepare for the day ahead. They talk about the resources children can use and what they need to do to enjoy and achieve in the activity. For example, when children begin the parachute game the adult explains what they are going to do. He encourages them to think of ways to move under and over the parachute and why moving in that way would be a good idea. Children develop their physical skills well in their activities. They develop their language and understanding as they listen, share ideas and follow instructions. Children enjoy opportunities to make independent choices in their play at certain times throughout the day when they use a variety of toys and games. However, when children take part in creative activities, staff are too prescriptive. This means children do not have sufficient opportunity to be truly creative and use the materials independently to follow their own ideas.

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

Energy Club staff actively make children feel good about what they do. They praise and encourage children, explaining what it is that they have done well. Children are rewarded with a range of certificates at the end of each day for their participation, achievements and sports skills. Careful observation and management of this reward system ensures that every child is acknowledged for their efforts. This enhances children's motivation, self-esteem and self-confidence very positively. All aspects of safeguarding are given a high priority. Clear policies and procedures support and guide staff in their safeguarding practice.

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

Leadership and management are highly effective in meeting all requirements. Quality assurance processes help to ensure that staff reflect and evaluate their practice continuously. For example, management observe staff performance to identify any required training that will help their continuous development of skills. All staff undertake relevant training and induction programmes to ensure they are competent in their work. Permanent staff are encouraged to complete relevant qualifications ensuring a high quality workforce. Parents speak very positively about the provision. They comment on the good organisation and how much their children enjoy attending. Partnerships with other relevant parties enhance the service the club offers. For example, schools occasionally arrange places for children. Staff seek advice from parents and relevant professionals to ensure all children, including those with additional needs receive good quality care.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY360830
Local authority	Hampshire
Inspection number	837981
Type of provision	Out of school provision
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	4 - 8
Total number of places	50
Number of children on roll	31
Name of provider	Soccer Coaching Limited
Date of previous inspection	11 April 2011
Telephone number	08456 445747

SCL-Club Energy (Hatchwarren) opened in 2007. It is part of Soccer Coaching Limited which operates in 19 venues. This club operates from Hatchwarren Community Centre in Basingstoke, Hampshire. It is open during school holidays and offers a multi-activity programme. The standard day runs from 10am to 4pm, although children may attend for an extended day from 8.30am to 5.30pm. The manager has a level 3 qualification and five other members of staff have relevant qualifications to level 2 and 3.

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