

# Chamberlayne Holiday Club & Creche



Chamberlayne Leisure Centre, 150 Weston Lane, SOUTHAMPTON, SO19 9SJ

**Inspection date** 19 February 2015  
Previous inspection date 15 February 2012

<b>The quality and standards of the early years provision</b>	<b>This inspection:</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>2</b>
	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		Outstanding	1
The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision		Good	2
The setting <b>meets legal requirements for early years settings</b>			

## Summary of key findings for parents

### This provision is good

- Staff support children's well-being exceptionally well. Staff place high emphasis on children being active and keeping safe. For example, on the bouncy castle staff are very watchful and remind new children of the rules, which they adhere to well.
- The club has a calm, relaxed atmosphere. Children behave extremely well and play harmoniously together particularly during team sports, such as rounders.
- The well-qualified and knowledgeable staff are totally at ease in their work, and are skilled and tuned into the needs of early years children. They seize opportunities to build on children's learning and developmental skills within a culture of fun and play.
- There is good attention to safeguarding children because members of the public use the setting. Risk assessments and documentation are thorough.

### It is not yet outstanding because:

- The book area lacks soft cushions for relaxation, and the creative area lacks a vast range of media and materials to support children's freedom of expression.

## **What the setting needs to do to improve further**

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

- develop further the play environment, in particular the book, quiet area and creative area to promote high outcomes for children.

### **Inspection activities**

- The inspector observed children's play activities, and the staff's interactions with children.
- The inspector had discussions with the manager, which included aspects of safeguarding, and leadership and management.
- The inspector sampled relevant documentation including safeguarding documentation.
- The inspector had discussions with a sample of parents to gain their views of the setting.
- The inspector conducted a joint observation with the manager.

### **Inspector**

Lorraine Wardlaw

## Inspection findings

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

Children relish their time at the holiday club; staff are receptive of their play needs. They have lots of active fun and enjoyment. The well-organised play activities give children good choices to pursue their interests. Children design and build models with construction sets using their imaginations well. They show confidence, happily talking to new friends, staff and visitors about their play. Staff take a keen interest in each child's needs and plan whole group team games, which children enthusiastically take part in. Cooking, mask making linked to Chinese New Year and bracelet making successfully engages the children in learning new skills. They are very busily involved in their self-chosen play. However, not all play areas are highly resourced to meet their needs, such as the book and creative area. There is a lack of soft cushions for relaxation when reading books and collage materials for freedom of expression.

### **The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children is outstanding**

Children are extremely happy and well-motivated to pursue their play opportunities. The excellent attention in promoting secure emotional attachments to new friends and to their key person within the short time the children attend, shines through. There is excellent attention to children's health and safety. Staff are involved in risk assessment checks and become specifically trained to meet children's medical needs. Lots of physical play activities promote exercise and movement, such as jumping and having fun on the bouncy castle or wheelchair basketball. Staff make sure children know the rules of the club. They have a team talk at the start of the session, where children contribute their ideas on how to keep safe and have fun. Staff pay particular attention to keeping children safe when they access the centre's public toilets and their use of mobile phones in the setting.

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

Competent leadership and management ensure the statutory requirements are met. Secure attention to the safeguarding and welfare of children means there is good emphasis on child protection through training. The provider carries out robust vetting and recruitment systems. This ensures that all staff are well-qualified, experienced and hold a clear criminal record check. Good performance management systems are in place, which celebrate and recognise individual staff strengths and areas to improve. Self-evaluation is accurate and the drive to develop the setting to promote high outcomes for children is very evident. For example, the manager seeks grants and sponsorship for new resources. Parents speak very positively of the club; of the approachable, communicative staff and of the tears they have when children have to leave for home. Links with other medical professionals are strong to ensure children's needs are met.

## Setting details

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<b>Local authority</b>	Southampton
<b>Inspection number</b>	832535
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<b>Registration category</b>	Childcare - Non-Domestic
<b>Age range of children</b>	4 - 8
<b>Total number of places</b>	30
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	5
<b>Name of provider</b>	Active Nation UK Ltd
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	15 February 2012
<b>Telephone number</b>	02380 437668

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