

Hawks After School Care

138 Dunsfold Park, Cranleigh, Surrey, GU6 8TB



Inspection date

15 June 2015

Previous inspection date

12 April 2011

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Outstanding	1
How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend		Outstanding	1
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		Outstanding	1
The setting meets legal requirements for early years settings			

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is outstanding

- Excellent care is taken to understand the children's interests and provide opportunities for them to do activities they like both indoors and outdoors. Staff successfully encourage children's continuous learning through their play.
- The knowledgeable staff interact extremely well with children to develop an exceptional awareness of a healthy lifestyle. They take part in fun physical activities, enjoy healthy food and routinely follow hygienic routines.
- Staff are very positive role models who set an excellent example to the children. Consequently, children's behaviour is excellent and they relate well to each other and the staff, showing developing concern for their welfare.
- The spacious premises are very well maintained and attractive, providing a comfortable and interesting environment where resources can be accessed easily.
- All aspects of safeguarding are very well understood by staff who promote these very effectively throughout to safeguard children's welfare and well-being.
- Children's emotional well-being is promoted very effectively. They respond very positively to the staff who offer frequent praise and encouragement for their achievements and efforts.
- The highly motivated and enthusiastic staff are committed to providing exceptional care and play opportunities which meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- look at further ways to enhance children's play experiences during specialist activities.

Inspection activities

- The inspector toured the premises and viewed resources with the manager.
- The inspector observed the children and staff at play and completed a joint observation of an activity with the manager.
- The inspector examined records and documents provided by the manager.
- The inspector discussed the provision with parents and their children.
- The inspector discussed self-evaluation with the manager and owner.

Inspector

Lynne Lewington

Inspection findings

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

Staff plan challenging and stimulating activities, and continually use new ideas to provide children with a broad variety of experiences. Children also have opportunities to follow their own play ideas. The easily accessible range of toys and resources help them to develop their creativity and independence as they select and try different activities. Children are keen and interested in more specialist activities. For example, they enjoy taking apart electronic materials, such as old computers and electrical equipment. However, there are not always staff or reference resources available to extend their understanding further, for example, to help them name the different components. Children enthusiastically join in with physical games outdoors, enjoying the participation and interaction of the staff. This is extended further as they explore the woodland area to increase their understanding of the natural world. Staff help children develop an excellent awareness of how to keep themselves safe as they talk to them about safety as they play. Staff plan a wide range of interesting activities which inspire children's interests. For example, children do food tasting, and learn about using screwdrivers and tools as they examine the inner workings of equipment. Children quickly become involved and interested in what is happening around them and are always eager to attend.

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

Staff provide children with excellent opportunities to be active and engage in various types of physical play outside. Excellent care is taken to meet individual dietary needs, with healthy and nutritious meals and snacks. Staff use mealtimes and activities as an opportunity to talk with the children about healthy food choices. Behaviour is excellent because children help to develop the rules of the setting. They learn to be sociable, to share, take turns, respect each other and look after the resources. Staff have high expectations of the children and are positive role models. Consequently, children learn how to manage their behaviour and identify their feelings. This helps them develop skills for their future learning and learn how to adapt to changes in their lives.

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

Leadership and management is excellent and is highly effective at supervising and continuously developing the skills of the staff team. Staff are knowledgeable about safeguarding and information is clearly displayed to remind both staff and parents about their safeguarding responsibilities. Strong relationships with schools, another after-school club and professionals help the setting develop positive partnerships. Self-evaluation is thorough and informed by all who participate. The commitment to self-evaluation indicates a strong drive to maintain continuous improvement.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY412264
Local authority	Surrey
Inspection number	822600
Type of provision	Out of school provision
Registration category	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	4 - 8
Total number of places	32
Number of children on roll	30
Name of provider	Hawks After School Care Partnership
Date of previous inspection	12 April 2011
Telephone number	01483 277299

Hawks After School Care is one of two settings owned by Little Harriers Nursery. It opened in 2010 and operates from a building in the grounds of Dunsfold Park in Cranleigh, Surrey. It is open each weekday from school pick-up to 6pm during term time, and from 8am to 6pm during school holidays. It provides a school collection service during term time from three local schools. There are six main staff on roll, of whom five hold appropriate qualifications and one of whom holds Early Years Professional Status.

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