

Jungle Club

The Scout Hut, Gales Place, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 1QG



Inspection date	25 September 2015
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Requires improvement	3
	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Requires improvement	3
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Requires improvement	3
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Requires improvement	3
Outcomes for children		Not applicable	

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision requires improvement. It is not yet good because:

- Staff do not consistently monitor risk assessments for the indoor areas. As a result, staff do not always quickly act upon identified hazards that may impact on children's safety. This also breaches the requirements of the Childcare Register.
- Staff do not regularly check children's hygiene practice. This results in some children eating food with unclean hands, which impacts on their health awareness.
- Self-evaluation is not sufficiently robust to identify strengths and areas of weakness to support continuous improvement.

It has the following strengths

- The manager has rigorous systems for checking staff suitability and qualifications and this helps to make sure that they are effective practitioners.
- Children are confident and relaxed in the friendly atmosphere of the club.
- Staff preparation of nutritious hot evening meals meets the dietary needs of all children.
- Staff promote children's positive attitude towards others, which means all children feel included and valued.
- Parental feedback is positive; they value the service the club offers them and their children.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

To meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage and the Childcare Register the provider must:

	Due Date
■ make sure that staff follow the risk assessment processes to ensure that all possible hazards within the indoor environment are removed to keep children safe.	26/10/2015

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

- devise and implement a self-evaluation process, which includes views of parents and children, to identify strengths and address areas for development
- strengthen children's understanding of the importance of following consistent hygiene practice to support their health.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the premises and observed children playing both indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector spoke with the children, the manager, the staff and some parents during the inspection.
- The inspector looked at children's records, evidence of the suitability of staff and a range of other documentation, including safeguarding policies.

Inspector
Gillian Cubitt

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management requires improvement

The manager fosters a happy team atmosphere in which staff work together well. The organisation of the move to new premises has been challenging but overall successful, enabling children to start at the beginning of term. The manager completes risk assessments, which are generally effective. However, staff do not always remove hazards identified inside the building quickly. Despite this, the impact on children's welfare is not significant. Safeguarding is effective. Policies reflect current guidance and staff understand the procedures to protect children if there is a concern. The manager also ensures staff are suitable through vetting procedures and opportunities for staff to attend courses. For example, following training staff are able to provide play activities that appeal to all ages of children who attend.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment requires improvement

The activities that staff provide promote children's independence and enable them to explore and make decisions as to how they spend their time at the club. For example, while some children join staff in active games outside, some children prefer to relax inside making constructions, playing table-top football or improving their computer skills. Staff provide appropriate support for younger children to help them settle and develop their social skills with other children. As a result, children become confident and independent. The setting is developing partnerships with the schools that children attend. The manager is currently developing systems for self-evaluation to include the views of parents, staff and children. However, this is still in the early stages and not significantly robust to ensure consistently good practice.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare require improvement

All children feel welcomed and included in this very friendly club. Older children help and involve younger children in their activities. This helps children learn about individual differences as they make wider friendships with children from other schools. Staff promote children's good behaviour and children are friendly, polite and helpful. The manager ensures staff have the skills to protect children's health. For example, they have acquired paediatric first aid certificates and all staff are trained in food hygiene. However, staff are not consistent in raising children's awareness of good hygiene practice, particularly before eating. Staff are mindful of children's individual dietary needs and they cook nutritious and tasty hot evening meals that amply satisfy children's appetites at the end of a busy school day. For example, children eat freshly prepared vegetables and protein as well as fruit for pudding. Children all eat together in a happy social environment. They serve themselves and clear their plates, showing respect for their environment.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY489436
Local authority	West Sussex
Inspection number	1027267
Type of provision	Out of school provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Age range of children	3 - 8
Total number of places	30
Number of children on roll	43
Name of provider	Gooding Childcare Services Ltd
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	01293 614244

Jungle club is one of two clubs run by a private provider. The club operates from one main room in the Scout Hut in Crawley. Children have access to an outdoor play area. The club is open each weekday from 3pm to 6.30pm and during the school holidays from 8.30am to 6.30pm, for 49 weeks a year. There are five members of staff, three of whom hold appropriate early years qualifications ranging from National Vocational Qualification at level 2 to degree level.

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