

Craneswater Out Of School Scheme



Craneswater Junior School, St. Ronans Road, Southsea, Hampshire, PO4 0PX

Inspection date	30 November 2015
Previous inspection date	22 February 2010

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Good	2
Outcomes for children		Not applicable	

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Staff establish good partnerships with the school staff. They meet regularly with teachers to share information, which helps staff to complement children's day at school.
- The manager ensures that staff are clear about their roles and responsibilities. She monitors staff practice well to make sure that children enjoy their time at the club.
- Parents are complimentary about the care their children receive and the welcoming atmosphere the staff provide. They say that staff keep them well informed about upcoming events and feel their children are safe at the club.
- Children have many opportunities to make decisions about what they do. They thoroughly enjoy being active and participate happily in games and activities.
- The manager ensures staff keep children safe and secure. She uses robust recruitment procedures to ensure their suitability and trains all staff in the safeguarding procedures so they know how to protect children's welfare.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- The staff do not always deal quickly with incidents of children's unwanted behaviour.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- improve the management of children's behaviour.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities indoors and spoke to children at appropriate times.
- The inspector held meetings with the manager, and looked at relevant documentation, such as evidence of self-evaluation and the suitability of staff.
- The inspector carried out a joint inspection with the manager.
- The inspector spoke to a small selection of parents and took account of their views.

Inspector
Clare Leake

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. Staff have a good awareness of the correct procedures to follow if they have concerns about a child. The manager has a wide range of policies and procedures that staff implement to support children's good health, safety and well-being. The manager demonstrates a commitment to improving the staff's skills and regularly evaluates the provision for effectiveness. Relationships developed with parents are successful. Parents comment on how children are excited to come to the club and speak highly of the staff and their caring natures. Staff have effective and regular support from the manager, which enables them to continually improve their already good practice. The manager and staff attend training courses; they share their new knowledge at staff meetings. All staff are regularly updated to strengthen their knowledge, and children benefit from this.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children are relaxed and enjoy their time at this friendly club. They talk of it being 'great fun and amazing'. Staff talk to children, parents and school teachers to find out what children enjoy doing. They use this information to plan activities that motivate children and reflect their interests to help children complement the skills and knowledge that they develop at school. Children enjoy rehearsing with one another for an upcoming talent contest, developing their self-confidence and imagination. Staff engage children in conversation and constantly praise their efforts and achievements. They ask children lots of questions and this helps to extend children's language and thinking skills. Children confidently talk about their day and chat to visitors and other children.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children arrive happily at the club and settle quickly and comfortably into the routine. They are very well cared for and staff know each child well. An effective key-person system means that staff understand how to meet children's individual needs. Staff teach children practical skills and encourage them to be independent. Children know to wash their hands before mealtimes; they serve their own meals from a variety of healthy foods, such as fruits and pasta, and they tidy away items once they are finished. Staff provide good opportunities for children to be outdoors. Children benefit from plenty of physical challenges, such as playing on the climbing frame and walking on wooden blocks. They balance confidently and use their imagination well as they talk of how they are trying not to fall off the blocks into 'the sea.'

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY337642
Local authority	Portsmouth
Inspection number	828312
Type of provision	Out of school provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	24
Number of children on roll	41
Name of provider	Binstead Childcare Services Ltd
Date of previous inspection	22 February 2010
Telephone number	02392 734787

Craneswater Out of School Club registered in 2006. The club opens through the school term from 7.30am to 8.45am and from 3pm until 5.45pm. The club employs three staff; of these, two hold an appropriate early years qualification, one at degree level and one at level 3. The club supports children who have special educational needs.

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