Fellview After School Club



Fellview School, Caldbeck, Wigton, Cumbria, CA7 8HF

Inspection date Previous inspection date		7 April 2016 6 July 2012	
The quality and standards of the	This inspection	on: Good	2
early years provision	Previous inspec	ction: Met	
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 appl	icable

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- The high staffing ratio and deployment of experienced, well-qualified staff help meet children's individual needs. The activities on offer, such as the art and craft opportunities and map making activities, follow the children's interests, complement their learning and help them to progress further.
- Children are well behaved. They have fun and enjoy themselves. Older children are sensitive to the needs of the younger children and demonstrate their caring attitude towards them during their play.
- Staff provide a warm and welcoming environment where children form good relationships with one another and the staff. Children respond well to the staff's caring approach and nurturing attitude. This effectively promotes children's self-esteem, confidence and emotional well-being.
- Children's good health and physical development are promoted effectively. They have regular opportunities to be active when using the school's outdoor play spaces.
- Staff established strong relationships with parents, carers and the host school which help to promote continuity in meeting children's individual needs. Parents and carers state that they are very happy with the service provided for the children and state that their children settle quickly when first attending the after-school facilities.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff have not fully considered the organisation and availability of toys and resources to support children further to make independent choices and further develop their own play.
- Arrangements for staff's professional development are not fully used to strengthen their existing good knowledge and expertise.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- organise toys and resources more effectively to help children to make further choices about their play
- strengthen staff's interactions and work with the children even further by enhancing opportunities to develop the professional knowledge and expertise of the staff.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities indoors, and the interactions between staff and children.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector spoke to staff and children throughout the inspection.
- The inspector sampled a range of documentation, such as, the self-evaluation, policies and procedures and staff records.
- The inspector spoke to parents and carers during the inspection and took account of their views.

Inspector

Carys Millican

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The manager and staff demonstrate a good understanding of the safeguarding policies and procedures. They know their roles and responsibilities with regard to keeping children safe and protected. Risk assessments are maintained. The procedure for the arrival and departure of children is effective. The door is monitored during these times, which ensures that children cannot leave the building by themselves. Records are fully maintained in respect of any accidents or incidents. Robust recruitment and vetting procedures ensure all adults are suitable to work with children. Annual appraisals are completed and staff training is maintained through the host school. Staff form good relationships with parents and information is exchanged effectively with the foundation stage teacher. This helps to ensure children's individual care and learning needs are consistently well met.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

All children are happy and confident on arrival at the after-school club. They talk to staff about their day at school and what they have enjoyed doing. The club is welcoming and relaxed. This helps children to feel safe and secure. Staff provide a range of stimulating activities based on children's interests and skills. There are plenty of art and craft resources to promote their creativity and planned opportunities on different days for more active physical play outside. For example, children decorate compact discs to hang in the garden areas. They create faces out of various materials and design colourful patterns that glisten and shine when they move. Children engage in conversations with staff who ask them questions that skilfully extend children's thinking skills. They give them time to consider their answer and constantly praise their achievements. There are quiet areas in the hall where children can rest and relax while listening to music or looking at books. Staff encourage children to ask for alternative resources which are stored in the cupboard.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children know the staff, which helps them to settle quickly. The key-person system meets younger children's individual needs and is firmly established. Children build close relationships with each other. Older children are kind and courteous. For example, they are happy to wait their turn during craft activities. Children behave very well and treat each other with respect. They listen to instructions, help each other and play well together, building on their social skills. Children consider the hazards in their immediate environment and how to keep themselves safe. Children know what to do when the fire alarm goes off. They quickly line up with the staff and walk over to the fire meeting point. Children follow well-established hygiene routines that contribute towards their healthy lifestyle. Children enjoy a healthy snack and social occasion when sitting together at snack time. Staff provide activities that support children's knowledge of their community and wider world, for example, while looking at a map of the world on the plastic cover on the table.

Setting details

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Local authority	Cumbria
Inspection number	1042298
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	4 - 11
Total number of places	26
Number of children on roll	24
Name of provider	Fellview After School Club Committee
Date of previous inspection	16 July 2012
Telephone number	016974 78437

Fellview After School club was registered in 1997. The nursery employs three members of childcare staff. Of these, one holds an appropriate early years qualification at level 4 and two hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. The after-school club opens on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday during term times only. Sessions are from 3.15pm until 5.45pm. The club supports children who have special educational needs.

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