

Leo's Den in Woodborough Woods

Woodborough Woods School, Lingwood Lane, Woodborough, NOTTINGHAM, NG14
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Inspection date	26 April 2016
Previous inspection date	9 July 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 carry out thorough safety checks and ensure that potential hazards are promptly identified and effectively minimised. They deploy themselves appropriately to ensure children's well-being. They are vigilant in their supervision of children, both indoors and outdoors.
- Staff understand how children learn and develop. They encourage children to make ongoing contributions to the planning of activities. Children are eager to participate in the interesting activities provided and are motivated to follow their own interests.
- An effective key-person system ensures children are well supported. Relationships between children and staff are happy, relaxed and positive. Children are confident, enjoy their time at the club and quickly develop friendships with others.
- Partnerships with parents, the host school and local pre-school are effective. Key information is shared that enables staff to provide continuity in children's care and learning.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Occasionally, staff do not always consider how children of different ages can be fully involved when taking part in activities together.
- Professional development opportunities focus on mandatory training rather than prioritising areas that will enhance staff's overall practice.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- enhance the opportunities for children of all ages to become deeply involved in activities
- enhance staff's professional development to increase the potential to deliver the highest-quality provision and excellent outcomes for children.

Inspection activities

- The inspector spoke to a small selection of parents during the inspection and took account of their views.
- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities indoors and outdoors and assessed the impact this has on children's learning. The inspector evaluated the range of activities on offer in discussion with the club manager.
- The inspector spoke to members of staff and children at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The inspector held a meeting with the management team. She looked at relevant documentation, such as the club's self-evaluation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the club.

Inspector

Teresa Lester

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Clear procedures are in place for staff to share any concerns they may have about a child in their care. The management team follows safe recruitment and vetting procedures to help ensure all staff are suitable to care for children. The manager of the club is dedicated, hardworking and passionate about the care she provides for children. The views of parents, children and staff are gathered and used to continually reflect on practice and take action to enhance the experiences provided for children. Children are given a voice and their opinions are valued. They happily tell the inspector that they enjoy their time at the club. They look forward to playing with friends and they have lots of fun activities to play with. Parents speak highly about the provision. They comment on the good care the staff give their children and that their children are happy and settled at the club.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff have developed good links with the host primary school. These contribute well to meeting the individual needs of all children. Staff plan activities that challenge children and reinforce what they already know. Children enjoy a wide variety of art and craft activities. They use their imaginations as they sit together, building models with construction sets. They enjoy completing word search activities, reading books and drawing pictures. Children and staff engage in conversations. Staff ask children questions about what they are doing and encourage them to communicate their ideas. Children enjoy experimenting with cornflour and use mathematical language to discuss its properties. All activities complement and extend the learning that takes place at school. Children demonstrate very good concentration skills as they take part in activities that interest them.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children clearly enjoy their time at the club. They laugh and smile as they play and there is plenty of positive interaction between staff and children. Children freely talk with adults and visitors. They are self-assured in their interactions with older children. Children's health and well-being are given high priority. They enjoy healthy meals and are encouraged to help themselves to drinks of water. Children have plenty of opportunity to use the school playground to be energetic. They enjoy balancing and climbing on a trim trail and playing ball games. Children learn about their community and take part in celebrating local and national events. They value diversity, celebrate festivals of different faiths and learn about the customs and beliefs of others. Staff are good role models and they promote positive behaviour. Children show good social skills and demonstrate their care and respect for each other.

Setting details

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Local authority	Nottinghamshire
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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	3 - 11
Total number of places	32
Number of children on roll	52
Name of provider	Leo's Childrens Nurseries Ltd
Date of previous inspection	9 July 2010
Telephone number	01159 673229

Leo's Den in Woodborough Woods was registered in 2009. The club employs three members of childcare staff. Of these, all hold appropriate early years qualifications, one at level 6 and two at level 3. The club opens from Monday to Friday during term time only. Sessions are from 7.45am until 9am for the breakfast club and 3.45pm until 6pm for the after-school club.

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