

# The 3.30 Fun Club

St. Johns Church Hall, School Lane, Burscough, ORMSKIRK, Lancashire, L40 4AE



## Inspection date

19 May 2016

Previous inspection date

16 October 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Inadequate	4
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 use planned activities to complement children's learning at school. This supports the overall progress that children make.
- Staff are positive role models and implement the clear club rules and boundaries. This supports children's good behaviour.
- The key person system is strong and consequently, children have developed close relationships with staff and each other.
- Staff are well qualified and attend regular training such as safeguarding and attachment. As a result, their practice is good and staff contribute to keeping children safe from harm.

### It is not yet outstanding because:

- There is room to make greater use of the information gathered from parents about their individual children's interests to enhance children's activities.
- There is scope to provide additional opportunities for children to learn about the wider world.

## What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- make better use of information from parents to ensure that planned activities reflect children's interests even further
- increase the number of activities to help children learn about the similarities and differences between themselves and others.

### Inspection activities

- The inspector toured the premises and observed children's morning settling-in routines.
- The inspector reviewed a wide range of policies and procedures.
- The inspector spoke with staff, children and parents and carried out a joint observation with the manager of the club.
- The inspector reviewed documentation that supports children's learning at home and at school.

### Inspector

Sarah Dimsdale

## Inspection findings

### Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. Staff have a good knowledge and understanding of the signs and symptoms of abuse. There are clear procedures in place to check staff's initial and ongoing suitability to work with children. This helps to protect children from harm. Leaders and managers have developed a clear understanding of the requirements of the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage. As a result, there have been many improvements since the last inspection. Self-evaluation is fully in place and includes the views of parents and children. This helps to ensure that areas to improve are well focused on the needs of children and families that use the club. There are regular supervisions in place for all staff, including the manager. The manager and staff monitor the progress that children are making and work in conjunction with the local schools that children in their care attend. As a result, there is a joined up approach to children's care and learning.

### Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children enjoy their time at the club. Activities support children's individual needs well. Staff work closely with children to complete school homework tasks and plan activities around school topics. This helps to enhance the overall progress that children make. Children enjoy taking part in group activities such as bench ball. This promotes their personal, social and physical skills well. Staff carry out regular observations of the children which means they can identify any additional support a child may require at an early stage. Parents receive regular newsletters about updates at the club which helps to involve them in their children's learning. However, there is room to make greater use of the views of parents to finely tune children's activities.

### Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children are well behaved and enjoy playing alongside their peers at the club. Children are mutually respectful of each other and there are clear behaviour rules in the club. This helps children to feel safe and secure. Children enjoy learning about nature. However, there is room to increase the number of activities to help children learn about the wider world. Children regularly attend the club and absence is monitored. This helps to promote the importance of regular attendance and supports readiness for school. Children enjoy a range of healthy snacks and regularly access the outdoor area. This helps to promote the importance of healthy lifestyles. The key-person system helps to ensure that children are settled during their time at the club and are emotionally secure.

## Setting details

<b>Unique reference number</b>	309705
<b>Local authority</b>	Lancashire
<b>Inspection number</b>	1051525
<b>Type of provision</b>	Out of school provision
<b>Day care type</b>	Childcare - Non-Domestic
<b>Registers</b>	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
<b>Age range of children</b>	4 - 11
<b>Total number of places</b>	35
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	63
<b>Name of provider</b>	The 3.30 Fun Club Committee
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	16 October 2015
<b>Telephone number</b>	07773 012 545

The 3.30 Fun Club was registered in 1997. The club is located in the Ormskirk area of Lancashire. The club employs three members of childcare staff, all of whom hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3 or above. The before- and after-school club opens from Monday to Friday, term time only. Sessions are from 7.45am until 8.55am and 3.30pm to 5.45pm.

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