

Dulwich Village Kids Club Ltd



Frances Building, Dulwich Village C of E Infant School, Dulwich Village, London, SE21 7AL

Inspection date	9 June 2016
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
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

- Children are motivated, keen to learn and they play energetically. The warm and caring staff team creates a friendly atmosphere and ensures that all children feel valued, safe and secure.
- Staff teach well and plan a good range of engaging and exciting activities that reflect the children's interests. Children continue to learn well outside of school.
- Children behave well and form friendships across the different age groups. Older children are attentive and courteous to the younger children. Children's emotional well-being is supported well.
- The manager implements good recruitment and vetting procedures which help to ensure that all staff are suitable to care for children.
- Partnership with parents is strong. The management team and staff act swiftly on the views of children, parents and staff to help improve the provision and outcomes for children and their families. Parents are well informed and fully involved in children's care and learning.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not always ensure that children get the full benefit from using information and technology resources.
- The programme for staff's professional development is not always used effectively to improve the quality of their work.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- help children to use information and technology resources more effectively to aid their learning and enjoyment
- ensure that the procedures for reviewing staff's performance are used more effectively to improve their support for children.

Inspection activities

- The inspector checked documents, including the staff suitability checks and training certificates.
- The inspector held discussions with the manager about the club's self-evaluation processes.
- The inspector sampled the club's policies and procedures, including those relating to safeguarding.
- The inspector spoke with staff and observed their teaching practices.
- The inspector spoke to parents during the inspection to take account of their views.

Inspector

Christine Lamey

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Staff have a good knowledge of how to keep children safe. For example, they undertake relevant child protection training and are aware of the procedures to follow if they have any concerns about a child's welfare. Safeguarding is effective. The manager is ambitious and communicates her expectations to staff. She generally completes accurate self-evaluations of the club to identify ways of improving the quality of the provision. She recognises that routines to help individual staff to improve their work could be more effective. Children with identified needs are effectively supported in partnership with the school, parents and external agencies. Staff work well as a team and regularly communicate with each other to meet individual needs. They follow consistent routines to collect children from local schools. This ensures that there is daily communication between familiar staff and school teachers.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff cater effectively for children's differing interests. They provide a wide range of challenging activities according to the abilities of the children. The staff team works hard to provide a variety of play areas and activities that children enjoy. The play areas are set up before the staff collect children from school. The club provides a wide range of opportunities for children to learn about people and communities beyond their own experiences. Children are learning respect and tolerance of others. They engage in a range of activities to support their understanding of the similarities and differences between themselves and other people. Staff celebrate and share children's achievements. For example, key persons display children's work and complete learning journals for them, which they share with parents.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff focus on developing children's independence skills, which suitably prepares children for their next stage in learning and for school. Children routinely help staff to prepare for mealtimes and help to tidy up afterwards. Children play freely in the spacious outdoor environment. They play excitedly and energetically as they take part in team games. Children are happy in their play, for example, they share and chat at the drawing table and laugh loudly when playing in the garden. Staff share messages with children consistently about staying safe, for example, they are reminded about safety when cooking. Overall, children's behaviour is good. They follow club rules and are reminded of them as they play by the staff. The well-established key person system enables children to form secure attachments and helps to develop their independence and well-being. Children are supported to be independent in managing their own personal needs.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY480032
Local authority	Southwark
Inspection number	983874
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	30
Number of children on roll	73
Name of registered person	Dulwich Village Kids Club Ltd
Registered person unique reference number	RP910194
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	07773325698

Dulwich Village Kids Club registered in 2014. It is situated in the North Dulwich area of the London Borough of Southwark. The club operates Monday to Friday from 3.20pm to 6.15pm during term time, and Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm during school holidays. Five staff, including the manager, are employed to work with the children. Three staff hold relevant childcare qualifications.

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