

Werrington Out Of School Club



Werrington Primary School, Washerwall Lane, Werrington, STOKE-ON-TRENT, ST9 0JU

Inspection date	15 August 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

- Designated staff support children with special educational needs or disability effectively. Children benefit from additional support in the club to help them continue their learning beyond school.
- Children's behaviour is very good because of staff's excellent behaviour management. Children learn about the consequences their behaviour and what strategies to use to help them cope with their emotions.
- Children's learning is continuous across all settings they attend. Staff work with parents and have agreed to support and encourage children to complete their homework at the club. They work with children to meet the targets set for them at school or pre-school.
- Children are confident and have high self-esteem. Staff praise them for their efforts and achievements. For example, staff award children with certificates for their participation in a sports event.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- During some activities staff do not do as much as possible to explore ideas and set challenges for children to help them get the most out of their play.
- Although children have a strong interest in technology, there are few opportunities for them to pursue this interest at the club.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- support staff to develop their skills in recognising and exploiting opportunities to help children explore ideas and take on further challenge as they arise
- extend the opportunities for children to develop their interests and skills in using technology.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of activities available indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with one of the managers.
- The inspector held a meeting with both providers. He looked at relevant documentation, such as the club's self-evaluation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the club.
- The inspector viewed written feedback from parents to take account of their views.

Inspector

Scott Thomas-White

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Staff have attended child protection training and have a detailed knowledge of the club's safeguarding procedures. New staff receive a robust induction which includes how to protect children from possible abuse or neglect. Staff check the club regularly to help ensure children are kept safe and that any potential hazards in the environment are removed. Their skills and knowledge are improving through training and by completing formal qualifications. Managers give staff regular feedback on their performance and encourage staff to share practice within the club and with other settings. This is helping continually improve staff practice. The view of children, parents and staff are all included in the self-evaluation of the club. Managers use this information effectively to help make improvements. For example, children select new toys from catalogues and staff now meet with parents more regularly to update them on their children's achievements.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff consider children's interests and their learning at school and other settings to help them plan effectively. They observe children to help identify activities that they are interested in, such as activities about the Olympics. They help children to build on what they learn at other settings they attend. For example, following the recent Science week at school children completed science experiments to help build further on their knowledge and skills. Parents are an integral part of the club. They are encouraged to share information about children's prior skills when they start. When parents need help in guiding their children's learning and play at home, staff give them ideas. They also give parents regular updates about their children's successes at the club, such as their sporting achievements. Children are learning about their own community and the wider world. For example, children work together to make a scarecrow for the village scarecrow competition.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children show high levels of engagement in their play. For example, children concentrate for long periods during a craft activity. They work with staff to solve problems as they think about how they can join two smaller pieces of paper together to make a larger one. Children are very motivated and continue the activity to the end, in order to make eight legs for an octopus. Staff use the skills they have learnt from training to help make the move from pre-school to school, or from one class to another as smooth as possible. They promote children's health and safety extremely well. Children eat healthy meals and snacks as the club follows the school's healthy eating policy. They know the risks of being outside in the sun and staff support them to take appropriate precautions, such as wearing sun hats and applying sun cream.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY485591
Local authority	Staffordshire
Inspection number	1010191
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 - 12
Total number of places	48
Number of children on roll	120
Name of registered person	Werrington Pre-School + Out of School Club LTD
Registered person unique reference number	RP907318
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	07929904175

Werrington Out of School Club was registered in 2015 and is one of two settings operated by the same provider. The club employs eight members of childcare staff. Of these, seven hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 2 or above, including one with an appropriate early years degree. The club opens from Monday to Friday all year round, except for two weeks at Christmas. Sessions are from 7.15am until 6pm during school holidays and from 7.15am to 8.50am and 3.20pm to 6pm during term time. The club provides care for children who have special educational needs or disability.

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