The Cool Kids Club



Milton Scout Group, 1802 Leek Road, Stoke-On-Trent, Staffordshire, ST2 7AF

Inspection date Previous inspection date		ıgust 2016 pplicable	
The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection	n: 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

- Staff have regular opportunities to help them update their knowledge and skills in fulfilling their role. They skilfully review and evaluate their training to improve the quality of their practice.
- Staff are good role models, showing respect to each other and managing children's behaviour in a positive way. Children learn to follow rules, take turns and cooperate with each other. They learn to respect and value differences and similarities between themselves and others.
- A robust key-person system is in place and children form strong bonds with staff. Children settle swiftly into the club and enjoy attending.
- Good attention is given by staff to help promote children's safety and welfare. Staff identify and minimise any potential risks to children and ensure that children are supervised at all times.
- Staff are very good at helping children to be confident in initiating their own play and learning. Staff organise resources and toys so that children are motivated to access them independently.

It is not yet outstanding because:

Staff do not ask children's teachers for information about what children are learning in school, in order to complement this learning in the club.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

develop stronger partnership working with the other settings children attend, in order to share more information about what children are learning elsewhere and to complement this in the club.

Inspection activities

- The inspector looked at areas of the premises used by the club, including the outdoor area.
- The inspector discussed the activities available with the provider and deputy manager and observed activities indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector held a meeting with the provider and deputy manager.
- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability and qualifications of staff working with children. She talked to them about the self-evaluation and plans for improvements.
- The inspector looked at a sample of policies, risk assessments and children's records.

Inspector

Lesley Bott

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Recruitment and induction of staff are robust and help to ensure that staff are suitable to work with children. Staff have a good awareness of their responsibilities regarding child protection and how to implement all policies and procedures. They know how to report any abuse or neglect of children and how to respond to allegations against a member of staff. The provider and staff regularly look at self-evaluation and what they can do to improve children's experiences. They use their action plan effectively to improve children's well-being and enjoyment. Currently, plans are in place to allow children to have direct access to the outside play area. Partnership working with parents is good. Information is shared on a regular basis to ensure that parents are involved in their children's achievements while they are at the club. Newsletters help parents to be fully informed of forthcoming events and outings. Children state that they enjoy their time at the club. They welcome the opportunity they have to play games and go on trips with their friends.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children are supported well to be active learners. They enjoy taking part in a wide range of activities, both indoors and outdoors. Children have good opportunities to develop their physical skills. They enjoy the challenge of learning how to safely use the exciting range of sports equipment. Children learn how to take the lead in team games. They encourage others to learn how to contribute to the game and follow the rules. Children particularly enjoy the craft activities organised by staff. They use a variety of tools and media to create pictures of different cities or make wind chimes. Staff build on children's language skills. Staff skilfully join in with the activities, introducing new words and encouraging children to listen to instructions and to ask questions.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff gather information from parents regarding their children's likes, dislikes and interests before they start. Staff use this information to help children settle in and to ensure their needs are met. Children are supported to develop confidence and independence. They line up to wash their hands before snack and meal times. They collect their lunch bags and take these and sit at the table together for lunch with their friends. They know and understand the daily routine and they contribute to the club by undertaking daily tasks. They help to prepare the table for mealtimes and serve food, helping the youngest children to open packets or bottles. Staff actively promote equality through their daily practice. Children learn about the needs of others. They develop a good understanding of a diverse society through varied activities and discussions throughout the year.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY496161	
Local authority	Stoke on Trent	
Inspection number	1031983	
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	50	
Number of children on roll	30	
Name of registered person	Cool Kidz Ltd	
Registered person unique reference number	RP535065	
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable	
Telephone number	07703025977	

The Cool Kids Club was registered in 2015. The club employs three members of childcare staff, all of whom hold appropriate early years qualifications at levels 2, 3 or 6. The club opens during term time, Monday to Friday from 7.15am to 9am and from 2.45pm to 6pm. During school holidays the club is open from 7.30am to 5.30pm.

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