Axbridge Community Care Club



Moorland Street, Axbridge, BS26 2BA

Inspection date Previous inspection date		17 November 2016 22 October 2012		
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

- The provider evaluates the quality of the setting well. She effectively involves staff, parents and children to help prioritise improvements that benefit children. For example, children wanted to learn about first aid, so staff ran a basic course for them to develop their knowledge of how to treat minor injuries, such as grazes and bruises.
- Staff work very closely with the school that children attend. They have daily discussions with teachers to find out what children learn, and encourage children well to build on this in their play activities.
- Staff work well with parents. They provide daily information about children's activities and achievements, and pass on messages from school, to work consistently together.
- Children thoroughly enjoy attending the club. They use the inviting learning environments indoors and outdoors very well. Children help themselves from an extensive range of resources and equipment to organise their play and ideas.
- Children have good relationships with staff and each other, helping them to feel emotionally secure. They are confident and happy, and very well behaved. Staff are good role models for children and they actively involve children in making decisions and ground rules.

It is not yet outstanding because:

Staff sometimes complete tasks for children that they are capable of managing themselves, particularly at snack time, rather than encouraging children's independence further.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

encourage children to manage tasks for themselves, providing even more opportunities to develop their independence.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had discussions with the provider, staff, parents and children.
- The inspector sampled required documentation, including procedures to safeguard children, and spoke to the provider and staff about how they put these into practice.
- The inspector observed children and staff engaged in play activities, indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector went with staff to collect children from school to observe their procedures for walking them safely to the club.

Inspector

Julie Neal

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The provider supports staff very well to gain new knowledge and develop their skills, and she effectively monitors the effect of these on children's experiences. For example, following training relating to children's behaviour, staff focus well on encouraging children to talk about how they feel. Soon after arrival, children take turns to discuss their day at school. They talk about what has been good, and about anything worrying them. This has a positive impact on children's behaviour and well-being, as they talk about minor concerns and learn to deal with their feelings appropriately in a safe environment. Safeguarding is effective. Staff have a thorough understanding of local safeguarding procedures and what to do to help protect children from harm. There are good procedures to collect children safely from school, and staff follow these very well.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff focus very effectively on helping children to develop their social skills and communication. They involve children well in planning daily activities that are enjoyable and that encourage them to use the skills they learn in school. For example, children used their knowledge of number well when playing darts, as they added up their scores and worked out what they needed to hit next. Staff give children responsibility and they respond very well to this. For example, the games console is very popular, so staff place a 15 minute restriction for each child. Children monitor this very well to make sure that no one monopolises it. Staff understand that some children are tired after a busy day at school. They make sure there are comfortable, quiet spaces for those who want to read or play quietly together, and children make good use of these. Children enjoy being creative and staff support them well. For example, they provided children with a good variety of resources to make Christmas decorations and encouraged them well to be imaginative and to produce their own unique creations.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children are keen to arrive at the club, and staff welcome them with a healthy snack. Children's safety awareness is good. For example, they chose to play a game and discussed where to lay it out so that they had enough space to play it safely and did not interfere with other children's activities. They went on to play a very energetic game, stretching their limbs to reach the different coloured spots and balancing well. Children are kind and considerate of others. Children enjoy being active. For example, they had fun as they used hula-hoops, concentrating hard as they moved their bodies to stop the hoop falling to the ground.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY262559	
Local authority	Somerset	
Inspection number	1058793	
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 - 10	
Total number of places	16	
Number of children on roll	2	
Name of registered person	Linda Rose Maunders	
Registered person unique reference number	RP906713	
Date of previous inspection	22 October 2012	
Telephone number	01934 733091 or 07708982481	

Axbridge Community Care Club registered in 2002 and is privately owned. It is next door to Axbridge First School in Somerset. The setting is open each weekday, during term time only. The club runs a breakfast club from 8am to 8.50am and an after-school club from 3.15pm to 5.45pm. There are three staff, including the provider. Of these, one has an early years qualification at level 2, one has an early years qualification at level 3, and one has an early years qualification at level 4.

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