

Kids United (Heygarth)

Heygarth Primary School, Heygarth Road, WIRRAL, Merseyside, CH62 8AG



Inspection date	18 November 2016
Previous inspection date	30 April 2015

	This inspection:	Good	2
The quality and standards of the early years provision			
	Previous inspection:	Requires Improvement	3
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 is passionate and dedicated about improving the club. Since the last inspection, she has successfully met the actions and recommendations that were raised. She evaluates the quality of the provision, gathering and using the views of parents and children to identify further targets for improvement.
- Children thoroughly enjoy their time attending the club. They engage in a wide range of activities and benefit from their interactions with staff.
- Children behave well. They respond positively to praise and encouragement from staff. Children feel a sense of achievement when they are awarded a gold star for helpful and kind behaviour.
- Partnership working is successfully embedded by staff, which enables them to support all children effectively.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Leaders do not use professional development as effectively as they could to develop the existing skills of all staff working at the club.
- Staff do not make best use of opportunities to build on children's curiosity and ability to investigate or test ideas independently.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- engage in the continued professional development for all staff to enhance their existing skills
- build on the range of opportunities available for children to investigate, explore and find things out for themselves.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the areas of the premises used by the club.
- The inspector spoke to parents and children during the inspection and took account of their views.
- The inspector held a meeting with the provider. She looked at relevant documentation, such as the club's self-evaluation and evidence of the suitability of staff working at the club.
- The inspector observed the quality of interaction during activities indoors. She assessed the impact this has on children's enjoyment.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the provider.

Inspector

Lauren Grocott

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Staff have a good understanding of child protection and wider safeguarding issues. They are confident in following the procedures to report any concern they have about the welfare of a child. Staff can identify a range of signs or symptoms that may indicate a child is being abused or neglected and are aware of their duty to prevent children being drawn into situations which put them at significant risk of harm. The provider has devised and implemented robust recruitment procedures. She monitors the continuing suitability of all staff for their roles. Staff use risk assessment effectively to minimise potential hazards within the setting. Children have a good understanding of the rules in place at the setting which are designed to keep them safe. Staff are suitably qualified or experienced for their roles. They undertake some relevant training, such as updating their knowledge of child protection and paediatric first aid.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff work very well in partnership with the host school. They quickly learn about children's interests and preferences. Staff make good use of this information to provide a range of activities and experiences that promotes children's engagement in meaningful play. The key-person system is effective. Staff communicate with teachers from the host school about children's preferences and any area of development in which children may require additional support. Staff use this information effectively to support children's ongoing progress and development. Children thoroughly enjoy experimenting with messy play and craft materials. Older children support younger children during more-challenging aspects of craft activities. Children explore a wide range of resources which is easily accessible. For example, they enjoy using materials to create structures, role playing with dolls and operating an electronic gaming system. Children develop new skills and talk about the world around them, such as the weather and their favourite seasons.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children feel confident and happy attending the club. They begin to develop secure relationships with staff from when they first start attending. Many children seek out staff to join in with their games, or for support, if required. Children feel listened to and confidently approach staff if they should feel upset or need help. Staff provide a broad range of resources and encourage children to decide what they want to do. Children's health is well promoted. Hygiene routines are consistently reinforced so that the risk of cross-infection is reduced. Children enjoy choosing from a range of healthy snacks. Staff encourage children to undertake physical activity. There are different areas, both indoors and out, available to children to develop their physical skills and coordination. Children are encouraged to contribute to the rules of the club and these are constantly discussed by staff and children. They learn to be respectful of others and explore different cultures and lifestyles. Staff consistently model the use of manners, turn taking and being patient with others. This helps to create a positive, welcoming and inclusive atmosphere within the club.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY414636
Local authority	Wirral
Inspection number	1058438
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	63
Name of registered person	Pamela Mary Humphreys
Registered person unique reference number	RP513932
Date of previous inspection	30 April 2015
Telephone number	07920048498

Kids United (Heygarth) registered in 2010. The club employs four members of childcare staff. Of these, three hold appropriate early years qualifications. The club opens from 7.45am until 9am and then 3pm until 6pm, from Monday to Friday in term time. The club is also open from 7.45am until 6pm in the school holidays.

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