# Playtarium at Hillborough Junior School



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Hillborough Junior School, Hillborough Road, LUTON, LU1 5EZ

**Inspection date**14 February 2017
Previous inspection date
5 August 2013

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This inspection:

Previous inspection:

Good

## Summary of key findings for parents

### The provision meets requirements

- All staff show that they have a clear understanding of how to protect children's welfare. They understand how to keep them safe and are fully aware of the procedures to follow to report any concerns relating to children's safety and welfare.
- The manager and staff understand how to reflect on their practice and they explain changes to promote continuous improvements. Staff are supported to undertake relevant qualifications and access training. This helps them to gain new knowledge of the benefits of play on children's development and well-being.
- The manager understands the benefits to children when she works in partnership with schools and other professionals. She knows how to be proactive in sharing information with them to help promote continuity in children's development and to protect their welfare.
- The manager and staff understand how to support children who speak English as an additional language and those who have special educational needs and/or disabilities. They explain how they use prompt cards to help children understand the daily routines. They also provide safe places for children to go if they need space to be quiet or to deal with complex emotions.
- The manager and staff describe how the provision of many outdoors physical activities benefits children. Staff plan to provide opportunities for children to engage in team games, use climbing equipment and use a large chalk board for drawing.
- The majority of staff hold a current paediatric first-aid qualification. Staff deal with accidents promptly, offering appropriate treatment and care to children. Managers are aware of the requirements to contact other relevant bodies in the event of more serious accidents or incidents.

There were no children present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

## **Inspection activities**

- The inspector spoke to the manager about her understanding of the requirements of the early years foundation stage.
- The inspector discussed with the manager what resources and equipment they have in place for children.
- The inspector talked to the manager and staff about their practice and how they protect children's welfare.
- The inspector looked at children's learning records, evidence of the suitability of adults who work on the premises and of the committee, and a selection of policies, safety procedures and required documentation.
- The inspector took into account the club's ongoing action plans and the written views of parents and children.

### Inspector

Jill Hardaker

# **Setting details**

**Unique reference number** EY419657

**Local authority** Luton

**Inspection number** 1065627

**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 - 12

**Total number of places** 70

Number of children on roll 52

Name of registered person PLAYtarium Committee

Registered person unique

reference number

RP530266

**Date of previous inspection** 5 August 2013

**Telephone number** 07950 972951

Playtarium at Hillborough Junior School was registered in 2011. The club employs 13 members of childcare staff. Of these, six hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 2 or above. The club opens Monday to Friday from 8am until 6pm through all school holidays, except Christmas.

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