

Lask Holiday Club

The Methodist Churchall, Kingsway, Wellingborough, NN8 2PD



Inspection date

Previous inspection date

17 February 2017

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

- The management team and staff have a range of qualifications and a wide experience of working with children. This has a positive impact on the variety of activities and experiences they provide for the children.
- Children are happy at the club and are eager to attend. They play well together and are confident in their communication and language skills. Staff play alongside children and motivate them in their play.
- Staff are deployed effectively and prioritise children's safety and welfare well. Children learn about how to keep themselves safe. For example, they understand the need to listen carefully to adults and stay together when taking part in trips or visits.
- Partnerships with parents are good. Parents compliment the quality of service offered by the club. For example, they appreciate the welcome they receive and the friendliness of the staff.
- The management team has developed good links with some of the local schools. They share relevant information with teachers to enable them to enhance children's experiences.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- The management team has not yet fully explored how best to obtain the views of parents about the service they provide, in order to further strengthen children's experiences at the club.
- Children who are learning more than one language are not provided with opportunities to see, hear and use their home language in their play.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- strengthen self-evaluation to include feedback from parents to further improve children's experiences and to continually assess the quality of the service provided
- extend the opportunities for children to see, hear and use their home languages in their play.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the activities indoors and the interactions between staff and children.
- The inspector talked to staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection and completed a joint observation with the provider.
- The inspector held a meeting with the manager and the provider. She looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the club.
- The inspector spoke to a number of parents during the inspection and took account of their views.

Inspector

Linda Newcombe

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The management team has established effective recruitment policies and procedures. It ensures that all security checks are carried out to make sure staff are suitable to work with children. It has developed an effective induction procedure to ensure all new staff are understanding of their roles and responsibilities when they first start. Safeguarding is effective. The management team ensures that staff have a secure and confident knowledge of how to identify and effectively respond to any concerns about a child's welfare. All staff attend regular safeguarding training to ensure that they are kept up to date with any changes. Staff are vigilant and implement effective procedures and risk assessments to protect children from harm and maintain a safe environment. The management team monitors staff's performance. It is committed to developing the club even further and regularly reflect on practice to identify areas for improvement.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff know the children well. They use their interests to plan activities. Children choose from a range of physical play, such as sports, or quiet activities, for example, drawing. Children enjoy creating superhero characters from socks. They carefully use needles and wool to sew on button eyes and decorate them using a range of craft materials. Staff encourage younger children's small-muscle skills. They help them to thread the wool through the eye of the needle themselves. Children enjoy cooking, such as making biscuits. Older children read out the ingredients and use scales skilfully to measure out what they need. Younger children take pleasure in mixing and tasting the mixture. Children play card games together. They use mathematical language as they recognise and match numbers. Children's language and communication skills are promoted well. Staff engage children in meaningful conversations and use effective questioning to promote their problem solving and thinking skills. Staff respect children's opinions and they encourage them to make contributions to the planning of activities.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children are settled and enjoy their time at the club. They spend time playing outdoors and taking part in various trips and outings. Children are familiar with the daily routine and have good opportunities to develop their independence and self-help skills. Children are encouraged to lead healthy lifestyles. They bring their packed lunches and the contents of these are guided by staff as part of the club's healthy eating routines. Children wash their hands before eating, demonstrating good hygiene practices. Staff manage children's behaviour well. Children develop lasting friendships and show kindness towards others. For example, during a game of badminton, older children are happy to play alongside younger ones and encourage them to keep trying. Older children are encouraged to solve minor disagreements themselves. This helps them to manage their own feelings and behaviours.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY487149
Local authority	Northamptonshire
Inspection number	1012458
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	56
Name of registered person	Lask Childcare Ltd
Registered person unique reference number	RP910573
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	07818401707

Lask Holiday Club was registered in 2015. The club employs three members of childcare staff, two of whom hold appropriate childcare qualifications at levels 5 and 3. The club opens from Monday to Friday during school holidays only. Sessions are from 8.30am until 5.30pm.

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