

Skittles Childcare

Chandlers Ridge Primary Academy, Chandlers Ridge, Nunthorpe, MIDDLESBROUGH,
Cleveland, TS7 0JL



Inspection date	2 May 2017
Previous inspection date	5 March 2015

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

- Children's views and opinions are highly valued. Children are encouraged to make decisions and contribute to planning activities. This helps to give them a sense of belonging and self-worth.
- Children's behaviour is excellent. Children help to establish their own ground rules for behaviour. Staff promote good manners through everyday routines and children show politeness and respect for others.
- Children of all ages play well together. Older children show kindness and patience towards younger children, encouraging them to lead games.
- Children are enthusiastic about attending the club. Staff follow established routines when collecting children from school. This promotes children's safety and well-being.
- Partnerships with parents are well established. Parents appreciate the friendliness of staff and the invaluable service they provide.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not consistently find ways to enable children who prefer to relax and communicate quietly with their friends to do so, to fully meet their needs after school.
- The manager has not yet fully implemented a carefully targeted programme of supervision for staff to enable her to clearly identify individual training needs, in order to raise the quality of practice to a higher level.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- enable children to have opportunities to relax and to comfortably talk to each other, in order to fully promote their needs and interests
- extend the programme of supervision of all staff to develop their skills and identify individual training to raise the quality of practice even higher.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the premises.
- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities and assessed the impact on children's progress. The inspector spoke to children throughout the inspection.
- The inspector completed a joint observation of an activity with the manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the manager. She looked at records and documentation, including evidence of the suitability of adults within the club.
- The inspector took account of parents' comments.

Inspector

Mrs Eileen Grimes

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. All staff have a good knowledge and understanding of the child protection procedures. They complete training and a range of policies and procedures underpins their practice. The manager ensures staff follow good procedures to keep children safe. They regularly check the environment throughout the day to ensure that it continues to be safe. For example, staff encourage children to make sure the floor remains clear and safe at all times. The management team deploys staff really well. They ensure there is a high number of staff at each session to supervise children and provide additional support for new children where needed. This has a positive impact on children's safety and experiences. There are clear procedures to ensure the suitability of adults working with children. The management team evaluates the range of activities and resources well to plan future improvements. For example, they have purchased additional sports equipment to support children's interests.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff are well qualified and experienced. They provide a wide range of resources and plan activities which reflect children's interests and help support their learning at school. Children show confidence, enthusiasm and cooperation. They engage well in the activities on offer. Staff skilfully provide quality interactions and actively engage in play. For example, they encourage young children to develop skills in throwing and catching. They play word games with older children that encourage quick thinking and collaboration. Children are confident to share their experiences and ask questions spontaneously to further support their play, for example, when they talk about their school visits.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff ensure that the environment is warm and welcoming. Equipment provided is appropriate for all the different ages of children attending. Staff are able to set purposeful challenges for children. All children show that they know and understand the daily routine. Children take responsibility for hanging their coats and bags up when they arrive. They quickly prepare themselves for snack and they understand good hygiene practices, such as washing their hands before eating. Staff help children to develop their independence. Children are encouraged to help prepare food and help staff to clean the tables afterwards. Children are given opportunity to select their own snack and staff use this time to discuss with the children events from school and home. Healthy lifestyles are promoted well and children have daily opportunities to develop their physical skills. Children are learning the importance of keeping themselves safe. They listen well to the instructions from staff as they move around the club.

Setting details

Unique reference number	508550
Local authority	Middlesbrough
Inspection number	1091155
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	0 - 8
Total number of places	40
Number of children on roll	17
Name of registered person	Christine Pratt and Sheila Fisher Partnership
Registered person unique reference number	RP518888
Date of previous inspection	5 March 2015
Telephone number	07944319676

Skittles Childcare registered in 1997. It operates from the main hall within Chandlers Ridge Primary School. The setting employs eight members of childcare staff. Of these, four hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. The setting opens on Monday to Friday, from 7.30am until 8.50am and from 3.30pm until 6pm, during school term time.

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the early years foundation stage.

Any complaints about the inspection or the report should be made following the procedures set out in the guidance 'Complaints procedure: raising concerns and making complaints about Ofsted', which is available from Ofsted's website: www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ofsted. If you would like Ofsted to send you a copy of the guidance, please telephone 0300 123 4234, or email enquiries@ofsted.gov.uk.

The Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills (Ofsted) regulates and inspects to achieve excellence in the care of children and young people, and in education and skills for learners of all ages. It regulates and inspects childcare and children's social care, and inspects the Children and Family Court Advisory Support Service (Cafcass), schools, colleges, initial teacher training, work-based learning and skills training, adult and community learning, and education and training in prisons and other secure establishments. It assesses council children's services, and inspects services for looked after children, safeguarding and child protection.

If you would like a copy of this document in a different format, such as large print or Braille, please telephone 0300 123 4234, or email enquiries@ofsted.gov.uk.

You may reuse this information (not including logos) free of charge in any format or medium, under the terms of the Open Government Licence. To view this licence, visit www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/, write to the Information Policy Team, The National Archives, Kew, London TW9 4DU, or email: psi@nationalarchives.gsi.gov.uk.

This publication is available at www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/120354.

Interested in our work? You can subscribe to our website for news, information and updates at www.ofsted.gov.uk/user.

Piccadilly Gate
Store St
Manchester
M1 2WD

T: 0300 123 4234
Textphone: 0161 618 8524
E: enquiries@ofsted.gov.uk
W: www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ofsted

© Crown copyright 2017

