

Scotch Orchard Badgers

Scotch Orchard CP School, Scotch Orchard, Lichfield, Staffordshire, WS13 6DE



Inspection date

16 May 2017

Previous inspection date

8 May 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

- The management and staff have a secure understanding of their safeguarding responsibilities to ensure children's welfare is effectively supported.
- Children's behaviour is good. Staff praise positive behaviour and act as good role models for children. They develop trusting relationships, promote emotional well-being and treat children with respect.
- Children take an active part in planning the activities and develop a good sense of personal responsibility. They say they enjoy their time at the club, particularly the outdoor activities.
- Parents speak highly of the club. They praise the staff for their caring support and the relationships established. They say their children are eager to attend the club and do not want to leave at the end of their session.
- Staff promote children's good health. They provide children with healthy snacks and ensure that they have daily opportunities for physical play.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff miss opportunities to further develop children's understanding of the languages and cultures of the other children within the club.
- Occasionally, staff do not give enough opportunities to less confident children to share their views and opinions as they take part in activities.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- increase opportunities for children to learn about the different languages and cultures of other children who attend the club
- provide more opportunities for quieter, less confident children to share their views and opinions.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the activities indoors and outdoors and the interactions between children and staff.
- The inspector talked to staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the club manager.
- The inspector held discussions with the club manager. 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

Julie Preston

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Staff have a secure understanding of their responsibilities to protect children and to report any concerns regarding children's welfare. Robust recruitment and induction procedures are in place to ensure that staff working with children are suitable to do so. Children are supervised effectively in a safe and secure environment. For example, staff carry out daily safety checks of the premises and resources. The manager involves staff, children and parents in the self-evaluation process, to effectively drive the standards of the club forward. The small, consistent staffing team works together well. Staff supervision and training offer staff opportunities to enhance their practice. Staff talk to parents and teachers daily and share information, so that children benefit from continuity in their care and learning.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children arrive happily at the club and settle quickly. They show a good understanding of the routine as they all gather for circle time. Children excitedly share jokes with each other and staff as part of this session, which shows most children are comfortable to share information with the whole group. Staff are well qualified and experienced. They provide a good range of resources and activities that motivates children and staff actively involve children by seeking their suggestions. This means that children are able to follow their interests and develop their learning through play. Staff interact well with the children and support them in their chosen play. Children use their imaginations well to act out a range of scenarios within role play. They play cooperatively together and older children support the younger children in their play. Children enjoy time spent outdoors on the school playgrounds and field, for example, they play football and tag.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

A warm and welcoming environment is provided for children who attend the club. Staff are friendly and energetic and they form strong bonds with the children. Most children show strong levels of confidence at the club and they settle in well following their day at school. Children are encouraged to contribute to the rules of the club. For example, a list of rules and consequences they have devised is displayed to remind them what they expect of each other within the club. Children develop good independence skills. Staff encourage children to complete tasks for themselves, such as accessing resources and activities of their choice. Staff help children to develop an understanding of how to keep themselves safe. For example, staff remind children how to use equipment safely and discuss any potential hazards. During snack times, children socialise well together and talk about their school day and plans for the weekend.

Setting details

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Local authority	Staffordshire
Inspection number	1090026
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 - 8
Total number of places	24
Number of children on roll	38
Name of registered person	Humpty Dumpty Day Nurseries Ltd
Registered person unique reference number	RP910038
Date of previous inspection	8 May 2015
Telephone number	01543510740

Scotch Orchard Badgers registered in 2000 and is run by Humpty Dumpty Nurseries Ltd. The club employs three members of childcare staff. Of these, two hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. The club opens from Monday to Friday during school term time. Sessions are from 3.15am until 6pm.

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