

St Mary's Out of School Club

Farringdon Road, Cullercoats, Tyne & Wear, NE30 3EY



Inspection date

23 June 2017

Previous inspection date

5 March 2014

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			

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- The manager and staff continually reflect on ways to improve and enhance the club. They seek the views of children and parents and use this information to make positive changes that benefit children.
- Parents are extremely happy with the service provided by the club. They say that the staff are excellent and that they are kept informed about their children's time at the club.
- Staff seek children's views and opinions regarding planning and choices of activities. They are keen to be involved in decision making. This helps them to begin to understand and gain life skills that prepare them for the future.
- Staff are good role models, showing respect to each other and managing children's behaviour in a positive way. Children learn to follow rules, take turns and cooperate with each other. They learn to respect and value difference and similarities between themselves and others.
- Children contribute to their own safety as they complete risk assessment to build their knowledge and demonstrate their understanding of risk.
- Children have lots of fun. They form strong friendships and are confident in their interactions with staff and other children.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not ask children's teachers for information about what children are learning in school, in order to complement this learning in the club.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- strengthen the already good relationships with school teachers in order to share more information about what children are learning and to complement this in the club.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of staff interactions and children's engagement during activities.
- The inspector spoke with children and staff at appropriate time during the inspection.
- The inspector had a meeting with the manager and checked evidence of the suitability and qualifications of staff working with children.
- The inspector discussed with the manager how they evaluate practice and their improvement plans.
- The inspector spoke with parents and took account of their views.

Inspector

Janet Fairhurst

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. Recruitment and induction of staff are robust and help to ensure that staff are suitable to work with children. Staff have a good awareness of their responsibilities regarding child protection and how to implement all policies and procedures. They know how to report any abuse or neglect of children and how to respond to allegations against a member of staff. Staff have regular supervision meetings to talk about any personal issues, training needs and their planning of activities. This helps to identify priorities to secure further and ongoing improvements. Parents are very complimentary about the club and express their views regarding their children enjoying themselves and learning through play.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children are welcomed into a relaxed play environment that is inviting, bright and stimulating. The planning of activities, by staff, is very much led by children and accurately reflects children's individual needs and interests. For example, children show great excitement as they prepare for their cookery club. Staff provide ingredients and utensils to support children's keen interest in cooking. Children read the recipes and weigh out and mix ingredients to make their cheesecakes. Staff are enthusiastic in their approach, which inspires children to be active learners and to remain involved and interested in the activities provided. Children are highly confident communicators. They enjoy being involved in conversations with staff and gain confidence because staff listen to what they have to say. Children are provided with good opportunities to go outdoors and play games, run freely and create their own play. They can use large equipment, for example, the climbing apparatus, to promote their physical skills.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff gather information from parents regarding their children's likes, dislikes and interests before they start. Staff use this information to help children settle in and to ensure their needs are met. Staff are very good role models. They speak to the children with respect. Children are confident and self-assured. They share their views with visitors about what they enjoy doing at the club. Children's ideas are valued and they are involved in devising the club rules. These are used in a sensitive way to remind children about the expectations and boundaries while at the club. Children's ongoing good health is promoted well. They competently follow good hygiene routines with minimal support and manage their personal needs with ease. Children learn about keeping themselves safe and staff talk to them about risks when using equipment. They know to inform a member of staff if they wish to leave the room to visit the toilet and make them aware of their return. In addition, children regularly participate in emergency evacuation drills and this means that they know how to get out of the premises quickly and safely.

Outcomes for children

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY244754
Local authority	North Tyneside
Inspection number	1087889
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	75
Name of registered person	St Marys Out of School Club Committee
Registered person unique reference number	RP520984
Date of previous inspection	5 March 2014
Telephone number	0191 2008812

St Mary's Out of School Club registered in 2003. The club employs four members of childcare staff. Of these, one holds an appropriate early years qualification at level 5 and three hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. The club opens Monday to Friday from 3.30pm until 5.45pm during term time only.

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