

Barracudas (Woking)

Gordons School, Bagshot Road, West End, Woking, Surrey, GU24 9PT



Inspection date	9 August 2017
Previous inspection date	7 April 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Outstanding	1
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Outstanding	1
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Outstanding	1
Outcomes for children		Not applicable	

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is outstanding

- Staff make a positive impact on children's health. Children have an excellent awareness of the importance of eating healthy foods and of following good hygiene procedures.
- Staff are extremely nurturing and highly effective in helping children to quickly form positive emotional attachments. Children develop a strong sense of self-esteem and take pride in their achievements.
- Staff have an excellent understanding of how to enhance children's play to complement what they are learning at school. Children engage in a wonderful range of enjoyable activities which stimulates their interests and significantly contributes to their progress.
- Staff are highly reflective in their observations of children at play. They exchange information with parents very effectively to help to enrich and complement children's development at home.
- The management team is scrupulous in ensuring that only suitable staff work at the setting. For example, it follows rigorous procedures for the recruitment, induction, continual vetting and supervision of all staff.
- Staff provide excellent opportunities for children to build on their communication and language skills, such as through exciting role-play activities and storytelling sessions.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- extend the range of developmentally appropriate non-fiction books that reflect children's interests, so that children can use them to enhance and extend their play.

Inspection activities

- The inspector viewed areas of the premises used by the children.
- The inspector spoke to the staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector viewed a range of documentation, including children's records, training records, self-evaluation, qualifications and suitability checks.
- The inspector observed staff and children during various activities.
- The inspector observed the quality of staff interaction during activities indoors and assessed the impact this has on children's developing skills.

Inspector

Hazel Farrant

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. Staff have a superb understanding of what action to take if they have any concerns about a child's welfare and of the signs to look out for. The management team and staff place the highest priority on children's safety. For example, they ensure the environment, resources and activities are safe and they are extremely vigilant in protecting children from harm. The management team provides comprehensive training and mentoring for all staff and supports them to continue their professional development. This has an extremely positive impact on the standards of the provision for children. The management team and staff are highly reflective and carefully analyse the quality of all aspects of the setting. They take into account parents' and children's views and are extremely active in continually enriching children's play experiences. Partnerships with parents are excellent. Staff share information about each child's day extremely well, enabling parents to have an exceptionally clear understanding of the skills their children are developing.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Staff consistently focus on children's individual needs and current interests. They offer a highly stimulating environment indoors and outdoors. Staff are highly skilled at interacting with children to build on what they already know and motivate them to gain new skills. For example, children gain confidence in taking part in 'foam fencing'. They listen carefully and follow instructions extremely well. They understand fully why they need to wear a protective helmet when taking part. They demonstrate an exceptional understanding of how to keep themselves and others safe, without compromising their well-being. The management team has identified that there is scope to make further improvements to the book area for children. They are keen to extend the range of books to include more non-fiction that reflects children's interests, so that children can use them to enhance and extend their play.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Children behave exceptionally well and easily make friends as they join in with group games. Staff are excellent role models. They demonstrate to children how to be kind and caring and how to treat others. Children develop exceptionally good social skills and are independent in their self-care skills. They enthusiastically and confidently join in with a wealth of activities. For example, they drive go-karts, develop skills in archery, swim, take part in performing arts and play imaginatively. They are active and develop their understanding of how to follow a healthy lifestyle. Children radiate happiness and have immense fun at the setting.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY460770
Local authority	Surrey
Inspection number	1095423
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	268
Number of children on roll	135
Name of registered person	Young World Leisure Group Limited
Registered person unique reference number	RP900856
Date of previous inspection	7 April 2015
Telephone number	0845 123 5299

Barracudas (Woking) registered in 2013 and operates from Gordons School in West End, near Woking in Surrey. It is one of the clubs operated by Young World Leisure Group Limited. It operates Monday to Friday during the Easter and summer school holiday periods. Opening hours are from 8am to 6pm. There are 24 staff and currently five staff hold appropriate qualifications, including three who are qualified teachers. Lifeguards and specialist sports instructors are also employed.

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