

Whitworth Kids Club

The Kabin, Field House Infant School, Lower Whitworth Road, ILKESTON,
Derbyshire, DE7 4LT



Inspection date	16 October 2017
Previous inspection date	25 June 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 are happy and settled at this welcoming club. Children enter the club in a calm manner and quickly access activities independently.
- The active committee and management team have made significant improvements since the last inspection, to enhance the well-being for all children who attend the club. For example, relationships with all schools have strengthened to help complement children's learning and care.
- Staff promote healthy lifestyles effectively. Children receive a wide range of nutritious snacks and staff make healthy eating fun. For example, they invite children to select fruit and vegetables from the 'rainbow' plate. In addition, children have access to a wide variety of activities outside that promote their physical development well.
- The key-person system is effective. The caring and friendly staff develop secure attachments with all children that attend the club.
- Parents' and children's views are valued and help to shape the service delivered by the club.
- Staff provide children with a wide range of fun activities reflecting children's interests and involving them in community events.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Although the manager has begun to implement systems to support younger children to develop friendships, these have not had enough time to take full effect.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- strengthen systems to support young children who are less confident, to cultivate new friendships and develop positive social skills.

Inspection activities

- The inspector viewed all areas of the club accessed by children.
- The inspector observed play and learning opportunities for children and spoke to staff members in the club.
- The inspector carried out an interview with the management team and looked at, and discussed a range of policies and procedures.
- The inspector checked evidence of suitability and qualifications of staff working with the children.
- The inspector took account of the views of children, parents and carers spoken to on the day of inspection.

Inspector

Dawn Larkin

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Staff have completed all areas of safeguarding training and they demonstrate a good understanding of the procedures to follow should they have a concern about children's welfare. The setting is safe and secure. Staff are vigilant about risks and minimise these to protect children from harm. There is a clear recruitment procedure and ongoing checks to ensure staff are suitable to work with children. Staff have a positive attitude towards training and the management team regularly supports them to reflect upon their practice. Staff feel valued and enjoy working in the club. They regularly meet with the management team and targets are set to support them in driving continual improvement in their practice. Parents speak highly of staff and are happy with the service provided.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Older children from different schools are eager to meet and play with the friends they have made. They access a good range of resources and staff encourage children to make independent choices as they play. Children concentrate well on tasks. For example, they enjoy creating pretend pizza shops as they use their imagination to illustrate their ideas. Staff support children to enhance their learning in school. For instance, they help younger children to form the letters in their name using the sand area. Those children who wish to have time to relax on their own after a long day at school have the opportunity to do so. Attentive staff give children time to unwind but intervene appropriately to support their individual well-being. Children, therefore adapt within the different learning environments with ease.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

All children behave very well. They understand the expectations set by staff and are kind and considerate towards each other. Children take turns and share the resources well. They help to tidy up and learn to take on small responsibilities. Staff know children and families extremely well. Parents receive daily communication about their child's day at school from staff at the club. In addition, information around the setting helps to keep parents up to date with what is happening in the club. Staff promote children's welfare successfully. For instance, they gather information from parents about children's dietary and medical needs before they start attending the club, so that they know children's individual requirements. Children enjoy playing outside and staff supervise them well. They particularly enthuse about using equipment in the garden to practise their balancing and coordination skills. They are encouraged to take small risks in their play. The vast majority of staff have a valid first-aid certificate and are confident to deal with any minor accidents.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY420552
Local authority	Derbyshire
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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	35
Number of children on roll	9
Name of registered person	Whitworth Kids Club Committee
Registered person unique reference number	RP909355
Date of previous inspection	25 June 2015
Telephone number	07720132590

Whitworth Kids Club registered in 2010. The club is open Monday to Friday from 7.30am until 9am and from 3pm until 6pm during term time. During the school holidays and teacher training days, sessions are from 7.30am until 6pm. There are 10 members of staff. Of these, six staff hold early years qualifications at level 2 and above.

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