

Daisychain Out of School Club



c/o Pendle Primary School, Princess Avenue, Clitheroe, Lancashire, BB7 2AL

Inspection date

14 November 2017

Previous inspection date

18 June 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

- The manager of the provision places great value on her staff. Highly effective practice promotes how staff enhance their professional development through purposeful training opportunities.
- Partnerships with the school are strong and effective and strengthen the ways that staff promote children's readiness for their ongoing development. This impacts significantly on the consistency and continuity in children's learning.
- Staff provide an extensive range of resources and activities to keep children motivated and engaged. Children are eager and excited to be involved in decision making and relish opportunities to make choices in their play.
- Children benefit extremely well from a very high level of care in this warm and welcoming environment.
- Children's voices are listened to through discussion and observation. Their views and suggestions are central to this animated and exhilarating club. Children's ideas are highly regarded, showing that there is a strong caring attitude towards the children.
- Children's safety and security is of the utmost priority. In addition, there are many opportunities where children can manage their own risks and enhance their social skills.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- consider ways to develop even more opportunities for parents to be involved in the already excellent self-evaluation processes.

Inspection activities

- The inspector held an interview with the manager and co-owners of the club.
- The inspector had a tour of the indoor and outdoor areas used by the club.
- The inspector sampled a range of documentation, including suitability of staff and various policies.
- The inspector spoke with children, parents and staff at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The inspector spoke with staff about how they safeguard children.

Inspector

Michaela Francioli

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

The providers and manager continually strive for excellence, and have immense pride in the provision. They set high expectations for children and staff. The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. The excellent implementation of robust procedures by the highly knowledgeable staff team helps to ensure all children receive the best possible care and are kept safe from harm. Parents speak very highly of the care their children receive and the variety of activities available. School staff speak of the exceptional and invaluable service the club provides. The manager's records are meticulous and meaningful and the club's recruitment processes are exceedingly robust.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

The exceptionally committed manager and her very experienced team have created an outstanding provision for children. Staff have consistently high expectations of what children can achieve. Children are eager and very happy to participate, exploring the superb activities with great enthusiasm. Children's vocabulary is mature and developed. They use words, such as paramedic, receptionist and amputation in context as they act out the role of doctors and patients, using vivid imaginations. Staff use their extensive knowledge of the children's interests to provide a wide range of activities that consolidate children's learning from school. For example, staff provide opportunities for children of all ages to explore the issue of bullying through a variety of craft activities, such as making friendship bracelets to give to children they do not always talk to.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Staff are exceptional role models and children's behaviour is exemplary. Children are polite and well-mannered. They show immense consideration and respect for others. For example, older children assist the younger ones during craft activities and ask politely for food to be passed to other children during snack time. Children's cooperation during play is outstanding. Children are eager and keen to participate and show great self-confidence in choosing their own activities. Older children take great care of the younger ones, involving them naturally in their activities, such as during a game of football in the outdoor area. Opportunities for outdoor play contribute in helping children develop physically and assess their own risks. Children are exceptionally knowledgeable and fully aware of how food impacts on their health. They thoroughly enjoy snacks of fresh fruit, humus and pitta bread and know that sweets are not good for them.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY258909
Local authority	Lancashire
Inspection number	1091680
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	90
Number of children on roll	70
Name of registered person	Daisychain Out of School Club Partnership
Registered person unique reference number	RP521368
Date of previous inspection	18 June 2015
Telephone number	01200 423539

Daisychain Out of School Club registered in 2003. The club employs 13 members of childcare staff. Of these, five hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3, three staff hold level 4 and one holds level 6. The club opens from Monday to Friday term time only. Sessions are from 7.30am to 9am and from 3.25pm to 5.45pm.

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