Kings Cliffe Childcare Club

Kings Cliffe Endowed Primary School, Kings Forest, Kings Cliffe, PETERBOROUGH, PE8 6XN



Inspection date Previous inspection date		7 March 2018 Not applicable	
The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection	on: Good	2
	Previous inspe	ection: Not applicable	
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 manager and staff work well in partnership with the on-site school. They share children's achievements with teachers and complement the learning experiences children receive in school. This helps children to extend further on what they are learning during the day.
- Children choose activities they would like to play with to support their interests. They demonstrate that they feel happy, are safe and secure.
- Staff help children to learn about how to keep themselves safe, such as carrying out fire evacuation drills. Children talk confidently about what they will do in the event of a fire in the building.
- Children demonstrate a good imagination. They ask staff to pretend to speak to familiar people on a toy telephone. Children use material and chairs to make dens. Staff ask children to talk about their experiences. Children tell staff that they are making a map to look for treasure.
- Staff work well as a team and are good role models for children.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Systems for the supervision of staff practice are not sharply focused to help raise the quality of provision within the club even higher.
- Staff do not provide children with enough opportunities to develop their sense of responsibility 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 supervision procedures to support staff's professional development and enhance their skills even further
- help children to develop a sense of responsibility and to carry out more tasks for themselves.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed children playing indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the club's manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the club's manager and provider.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation, such as the club's policies and procedures, staff training certificates 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 their views.

Inspector

Hayley Ruane

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. Staff attend training to keep their knowledge of child protection up to date. They know the signs of abuse and where to report concerns regarding children's safety and welfare. The manager regularly counts the number of children present and encourages children to help with this, promoting their safety and helping to extend their mathematical skills. The manager gathers the views of parents through, for example, questionnaires. The provider and staff regularly talk to children about things they would like to do in the club. They provide resources and activities to support children's interests. Recent improvements provide older children with more challenging experiences. Parents comment positively about the club. They say that children have a good range of stimulating activities and a space to relax. Parents comment that they have to coax their children away from the club at the end of the day because they do not want to leave.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff know the children well because they also work at the host school with children during the day time. They listen to children and play alongside them, helping children to enjoy playing with the wide range of resources offered. Children solve problems when they attach construction toys together. They work together as a team, listening to others' views and responding appropriately, demonstrating good social skills. Children tell staff they are making an igloo and jet pack. Outdoor play is enjoyed by the majority of children in the club. Children ride on scooters, play with bats and balls and develop their upper body strength when they use larger apparatus. Staff remind children to use designated areas to ride on scooters, promoting the safety of themselves and others. Staff ask children a good range of questions. Children develop their hand-to-eye coordination when they place small beads onto a board. Staff talk to them about the colours they use and give them choices in their play.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff greet children warmly when they collect them from the host school. Children demonstrate that they are emotionally secure. Staff attend training to help them support children to build secure attachments with staff when they start attending. Children demonstrate good behaviour and show an understanding of boundaries and routines. Staff give children lots of encouragement, helping to raise their self-esteem and confidence. They praise children when they use good manners, promoting positive behaviour. Staff provide children with a range of healthy snacks. They gather information from parents about children's medical and dietary requirements, which helps them to promote children's good health. Staff encourage children to do things for themselves. For example, to serve themselves breakfast, demonstrating their independence.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY499109	
Local authority	Northamptonshire	
Inspection number	1057039	
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	35	
Number of children on roll	90	
Name of registered person	Kaleidoscope In Action Committee	
Registered person unique reference number	RP900952	
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable	
Telephone number	01780 470947	

Kings Cliffe Childcare Club registered in 2016. The club employs six members of childcare staff. Of these, three hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. The club opens from Monday to Friday during term time. Sessions are from 7.45am until 8.45am and then from 3.25pm until 6pm. A holiday club operates for the first three weeks in the summer from 8am until 6pm.

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