Zebras - Colstons, Elmgrove



19 Elmgrove Road, Redland, Bristol, BS6 6AJ

Inspection date	25 April 2018
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standard	ds of the	This inspection:	Good	2
early years provision	Previous inspection:	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

- Staff have developed strong links with the host school. For example, club staff spend time with children in their classrooms and they share information with teachers about children to help ensure continuity of care and learning.
- Staff are good role models for children. They have consistent expectations of children and use effective strategies to help them follow the rules. This helps children behave well and respect each other.
- Children enjoy their time at the club. They learn to do things for themselves and become confident and independent. For example, they choose and serve their own snacks and take responsibility by tidying up when they have finished.
- The provider has robust systems for recruitment, induction and the ongoing supervision of staff. This helps ensure staff are suitable for their roles and maintain good quality of care and consistency in practice.
- Staff make the club welcoming and stimulating for children, and children are happy. They enjoy playing with the good range of activities that supports all areas of their learning and development well.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Leaders are not consistently successful in gathering parental feedback about the service to inform the club's self-evaluation process.
- Staff do not routinely seek children's views from day to day on what they would like to do in the way of activities.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- extend opportunities for parents to contribute their feedback more to support the selfevaluation process to further enhance the provision
- enhance the daily planning of activities to give children extended opportunities to contribute their own ideas.

Inspection activities

- Leadership and management discussions took place with the responsible person at appropriate times during the inspection and in a scheduled meeting.
- The inspector observed activities and staff interactions with children in all areas used by the club.
- The inspector looked at documentation, including a sample of children's records, health and safety records, and checked evidence of the suitability of staff to work with children.
- The inspector took account of the views of children, staff, parents and school staff spoken to on the day of inspection and considered the club's self-evaluation.

Inspector

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Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The provider and staff have secure knowledge and understanding of how to promote children's welfare. They regularly attend safeguarding and child protection training to help them stay up to date and maintain good knowledge. They have a good understanding of the signs and symptoms of abuse and are clear about the procedures to follow if they are concerned. Risk assessments ensure the premises are safe and suitable and staff have robust systems in place for keeping children safe. For example, they lock school gates and check areas before children can go out to play. Safeguarding is effective. Leaders and staff continually evaluate the quality of the club. This helps them maintain a good understanding of the club's strengths and areas to improve. Staff practise the fire evacuation with the children, who discuss their understanding of how to stay safe and how to respond to the sound of the alarm.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children come into the club well after their day at school. Overall, they provide a good range of activities that they know will interest the children. For example, staff encourage children's creativity. They provide children with a range of art and craft materials to create paintings and make things that they design. Staff provide opportunities that complement children's learning at school. For example, they teach children Spanish words at the same time as they learn flamenco dancing at school. Outdoors, children use open-ended resources such as tyres to play imaginatively. They have good opportunities to be physically active, which helps them let off steam after a busy day at school. Staff join in with children's play indoors and outdoors. They help children to socialise and support their social development well.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children have built close relationships with their allocated key person. Staff initiate conversations with children and listen to them with interest. This helps them feel relaxed and comfortable at the club. Staff promote good health and provide nutritious and varied snacks. Staff help children to learn good standards of hygiene, for example, using the toilet and washing their hands. Snack time is a sociable time as children sit with their friends and engage in group conversations. Staff provide children with regular praise for their achievements and this helps boost their self-esteem and makes them feel valued and respected. Children are encouraged to be themselves and staff ensure there is no gender stereotyping in play. For example, all toys and activities are enjoyed by both boys and girls.

Setting details

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Local authority Bristol City

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Type of provision Out of school provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register

Age range of children 4 - 6

Total number of places 35

Number of children on roll 59

Name of registered person Zebras Out Of School Club Ltd

Registered person unique

reference number

RP900210

Date of previous inspectionNot applicable

Telephone number 0117 377 2610

Zebras at Colstons, Elmgrove registered in 2016. The after-school club operates in the school building of Colstons Primary Elmgrove site. It operates during term time from Monday to Friday. The breakfast club opens from 7.45am to 9.00am and the after-school club operates from 3.10pm to 6pm. The club is for children in Reception and Year One only. The club employs five staff who work with children. Of these, one has early years professional status and two have appropriate qualifications at level 3.

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