

Vale of Belvoir Out of School Club

Vale of Belvoir Sure Start Centre, Barkestone Lane, Nottingham, NG13 0AX

Inspection date	17 April 2018
Previous inspection date	12 June 2014

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 arrive happy and are keen to join the very good range of activities offered. They confidently move freely from indoors to outdoors, developing their interests.
- Parents comment positively about the club. They say that their children enjoy the food provided and they like the reward system that staff use to celebrate children's achievements.
- The manager supports her staff well through supervision and appraisal meetings, where staff reflect on their practice. Many staff are studying for a childcare qualification. This helps them to understand how younger children develop and learn.
- The manager and staff actively involve children in identifying improvements to the club. Children select resources they would like to buy, helping them to develop and follow their interests. The manager seeks the views of parents to help evaluate the effectiveness of the provision.
- Children demonstrate good-social skills. For example, they help each other to tidy away resources before mealtimes. This helps children to care for their environment.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Although staff have developed partnerships with schools and other early years settings children attend, not enough relevant information is shared so that children's experiences can be fully complemented.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- share more information with schools and other early years settings that children attend to ensure children's experiences are fully complemented.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the activities indoors and outdoors, and the interactions between staff and children.
- The inspector talked to staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the manager and the provider. She looked at relevant documentation 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 of their views.

Inspector

Hayley Ruane

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. Staff attend child protection training and know the possible signs of abuse and where to report any concerns regarding children's safety. Staff talk confidently about the process they will follow if they have concerns about another member of staff caring for children. Staff risk assess the environment prior to children arriving and remove hazards. Children say that staff help them to keep themselves safe by having rules, such as not letting children climb up the trees above waist height. Staff speak to parents when they collect their children each day. They keep them informed about what their children are eating and pass on messages about their children's care needs from schools or other early years settings they attend.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff listen to children's views, helping children to feel valued and appreciated. Children thoroughly enjoy their time at the club. They work well together to build large structures using construction toys. Children say that they are making an 'evil fortress' and talk confidently about their experiences and interests. Outdoors, children have a wealth of enjoyable experiences. They climb onto large tyres and jump off, helping children to extend their physical skills, test their abilities and manage risks in their play. Staff play alongside children and follow their interests. They show children how to use a fishing rod and pretend to catch a fish. Staff follow children on a treasure hunt around the outdoor area. Children demonstrate a very good imagination. Staff talk to children about what they are doing and offer suggestions and ideas, helping them to develop new ideas and ways of thinking.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff offer children a range of healthy snacks and meals. Children demonstrate their independence when they select cutlery for mealtimes and serve themselves. They help staff to develop menus, choosing a range of healthy foods they enjoy. Children say that they like helping staff to make soup. They bring in birthday cake to share with their friends, helping them to have a sense of belonging in the club. Children have plenty of opportunities to extend their interests of the natural world. Staff take them to a designated area of the garden, where they develop their interests and pretend there are crocodiles in the water. Children play hide and seek with others, where they learn to take turns and play cooperatively. Children behave well. They help staff to develop rules and boundaries in the club and staff reinforce these. Staff give children stickers to praise good behaviour, helping to raise their self-esteem and confidence. Children demonstrate a close emotional attachment with staff and enjoy playing alongside them.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY472550
Local authority	Leicestershire
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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	3 - 11
Total number of places	70
Number of children on roll	145
Name of registered person	Belvoir and Melton Academy Trust
Registered person unique reference number	RP533296
Date of previous inspection	12 June 2014
Telephone number	01949 845006

Vale of Belvoir Out of School Club registered in 2013. 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 7.30am until 9am and from 3.15pm until 6pm. The club opens for one week at Easter and for three weeks during the summer holidays. Sessions are from 8am until 6pm.

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