Ketton Childcare Club

Ketton Primary School, High Street, Stamford, PE9 3TE



Inspection date	12 June 2018
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards 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 asses	ssment	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 management team shares a commitment to provide children with an enjoyable and homely experience in the club after their day at school. They work hard to ensure that children are provided with a varied and stimulating range of activities.
- The views of children, parents and staff are taken into account when considering ways to develop the practice of the club even further.
- Staff have secured an effective partnership with the primary school teachers to help ensure continuity of care and learning for all children.
- Children stay with their class teachers until they are met by the club's staff who safely escort them from their classrooms to the club.
- Children form close attachments to staff, who listen intently to pieces of news that children are keen to share with them about their school day. This supports children's emotional well-being.
- Partnerships with parents are firmly established. Staff spend time talking to them when they collect their children. A book of annotated photographs is available to illustrate to parents the activities that their children enjoy. Older children have created their own book, choosing for themselves memorable events.

It is not yet outstanding because:

Children who leave the club early do not always benefit from opportunities to play in the outdoor areas.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

provide even more opportunities for all children to make choices over accessing the outdoor areas.

Inspection activities

- The inspector viewed the areas used by the club.
- The inspector viewed a range of documentation, children's records, evidence of qualifications, training records and suitability checks.
- The inspector observed children's play and the quality of activities indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector spoke to children, parents and staff and considered their views.
- The inspector held a meeting with the manager, the area manager and the registered provider.

Inspector

Ann Lee

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. Staff have a good knowledge of how to ensure that children are kept safe and secure. They regularly attend training to keep up to date with the latest child protection legislation. This helps to ensure that they are fully aware of the procedures to follow should they have any concerns about the welfare of a child. Staff work well together as a team and are suitably deployed throughout the club at all times. The management team pays meticulous attention to recruiting and retaining staff. Regular informal meetings monitor the ongoing performance of staff to help identify future professional development opportunities. Parents speak highly of the care that staff provide for their children. They describe the friendliness and flexibility offered by the club to be a valuable asset. Partnerships between the club and the school that children attend are extremely strong. All staff know the children well and use effective systems to share information with teachers.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children thoroughly enjoy their time at the club; often leaving reluctantly when their parents arrive to take them home. Staff work hard to ensure that there is a distinct difference for children from their time in school to the time they spend at the club. Staff take turns to plan enjoyable and exciting activities for children to participate in throughout the session. For example, children spend time enthusiastically creating towers from marshmallows and spaghetti. They show creativity and persistence as they develop their 'engineering' skills by learning how to make the towers strong and robust. Another group of children industriously decorate flags for bunting to be hung on the club's noticeboard. Staff support children to play happily alongside one another. They learn to take turns as they participate in a favourite board game. Younger children are supported by staff and older children to add the numbers on the two dice together.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children are happy and settle very quickly at the club. Staff are calm and patient and frequently praise and encourage children. Children are confident and independent. They happily engage in conversations with visitors telling them what they have been doing at school and about their families. Children are encouraged to help staff with routine chores at snack and mealtimes. They willingly take turns to wash up and dry the dishes. Children behave very well at the club. They are encouraged to be polite and well mannered, listening carefully to adults and to each other. They behave sensibly and develop an understanding of the need to respect others, such as keeping noise levels down when playing indoor football. Children benefit from eating a variety of nutritious food and have many opportunities to learn about healthy lifestyles. The club offers lots of opportunities for children to be active.

Setting details

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Local authority Rutland

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Type of provision Out of school provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Age range of children 4 - 11

Total number of places 28

Number of children on roll 139

Name of registered person

Kaleidoscope In Action Committee

Registered person unique

reference number

RP900952

Date of previous inspectionNot applicable

Telephone number 07711904928

Ketton Childcare Club registered in 2016. The club employs four members of childcare staff. Of these, two hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. The club opens from Monday to Friday, term time. Sessions are from 7.45am until 8.50am and from 3.30pm until 6pm.

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