Tottington Holiday Playscheme



Tottington High School & Laurel Play Centre, Laurel Street, Tottington, Bury, Lancashire BL8 3LY

Inspection date Previous inspection date	3 August 2018 8 August 2016		
The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection: Previous inspection:	Inadequate Requires improvement	4 3
Effectiveness of leadership and management		Inadequate	4
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Inadequate	4
Outcomes for children		Not Applicable	

Summary of key findings for parents

The provision is inadequate

- The quality of the provision has deteriorated. The provider has addressed the actions from the last inspection, however, breaches in requirements from previous inspections have recurred. This demonstrates a poor capacity to improve.
- Rigourous checks have not been carried out to ensure the suitability of the members of the management committee. All the required information has not been provided to Ofsted, preventing the necessary checks being carried out.
- The provider has not ensured that checks on suitability are made for all volunteers who are aged 16 or over or that volunteers whose suitability has not been checked are always supervised.
- There are insufficient staff with a valid paediatric first-aid certificate, taking account of the layout of the setting, to ensure a first-aider can attend quickly when required.
- Inaccurate records compromise the safe and efficient running of the setting.

It has the following strengths

Children enjoy a wide range of activities supported well by a dedicated team of staff and volunteers. Parents state they are very happy with the care and activities provided for their children.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

The provision is inadequate and Ofsted intends to take enforcement action:

We will issue a Welfare Requirements Notice requiring the provider to:

	Due date
supply all required information in order for Ofsted to be able to carry out the necessary suitability checks for all members of the management committee	03/10/2018
ensure that volunteers aged under 17 who have not had their suitability checked are never left unsupervised with children	03/10/2018
ensure there are sufficient staff qualified in paediatric first aid to respond to emergencies quickly, taking account of the layout of the premises	03/10/2018
maintain accurate records, including who has a first-aid certificate, for the safe and efficient running of the setting.	03/10/2018

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities and experiences available to the children.
- The inspector observed interactions between children and staff and spoke to the children.
- The inspector spoke to parents during the inspection and took account of their views.
- The inspector sampled documentation including evidence of the suitability of staff, volunteers and committee members.
- The inspector spoke to staff and held meetings with the provider and a committee member.

Inspector Linda Shore

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is inadequate

Safeguarding is not effective. The provider has not ensured that all members of the management committee are suitable to hold the role. Ofsted has been notified of the names of the committee members and they have all had a criminal records check. However, the provider has not followed guidance, as requested, to provide Ofsted with all relevant information to carry out the required suitability checks. Volunteers who have not had their suitability checked are sometimes unsupervised with children. For example, individual children are sometimes escorted between buildings when they need to use the toilets. Records of staff training are not accurate. Records show a member of staff has a current first-aid certificate, however, the provider was unaware she had not completed the training. Only one member of staff holds a valid paediatric first-aid certificate. The setting operates from three separate buildings on a large school site. Again, this is not adequate to ensure children's safety if the first aider is not nearby in an emergency. Staff attend an induction training day. They say this is very useful, they learn how to conduct themselves with children and receive safeguarding training. Staff have an adequate understanding of the possible signs and symptoms of abuse, they know who the designated safeguarding officer is and are confident to report any concerns they have directly to her. The designated safeguarding officer has appropriate training and experience to carry out her role.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff interact well with children and show them how to play new games. They are well motivated and enjoy their time at the scheme. Children build on the skills they learn at school. For example, staff support them to develop their mathematical skills during a sports day competition. Children count how many times they skip through a hoop and time how long it takes to get through the obstacle course. Children enjoy the friendly competition as they compete as a team against the staff. They choose from a range of individual and group activities including sewing, board games, arts and crafts and construction. Although different children attend each day they have created "junk city" as an ongoing project. This helps teach children to work together towards a common goal.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are inadequate

Weaknesses in leadership and management mean that the children's welfare is not assured. Children of all ages come together at snack time. They behave well, forming an orderly queue as they wait their turn to buy food from the tuck shop. Staff talk to them about the healthier options; this helps them learn about the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Staff communicate well with parents and collect useful information about children's care needs prior to starting at the scheme.

Setting details

Unique reference number	316823
Local authority	Bury
Inspection number	10056934
Type of provision	Out-of-school day care
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childcare on non-domestic premises
Age range of children	5 - 10
Total number of places	200
Number of children on roll	57
Name of registered person	Tottington Holiday Playscheme Committee
Registered person unique reference number	RP901944
Date of previous inspection	8 August 2016
Telephone number	01204 883 288

Tottington Holiday Playscheme registered in 2001 and is run by a committee. The playscheme is open for three weeks during the school summer holidays from 9.30am to 4pm, Monday to Friday. There are 13 staff, of whom one hold a level 4 qualification and 2 hold relevant early years qualifications at level 3.

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