Class of Their Own @ Connaught



West Hove Infant School, Connaught Road, HOVE, East Sussex BN3 3WB

Inspection date	9 November 2018
Previous inspection date	28 April 2016

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection: Previous inspection:	Outstanding Good	1 2
Effectiveness of leadership and management		Outstanding	1
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Outstanding	1
Personal development, behaviour and	welfare	Outstanding	1
Outcomes for children		Not Applicable	

Summary of key findings for parents

The provision is outstanding

- Staff establish outstanding relationships with children. They get to know children exceptionally well. Children are incredibly happy, confident and enthusiastic during their time at the club. Children demonstrate high levels of self-worth.
- All staff establish extremely positive partnerships with other early years professionals. This helps to provide children with an incredibly consistent approach to their play experiences. For example, staff regularly observe children at the school and share ideas for children's care and activities together with the teachers.
- The manager monitors the consistency of care and play opportunities staff provide exceptionally well. For instance, she carries out daily observations and provides them with precise, helpful feedback to enhance their performance.
- Children have varied and imaginative opportunities to express their creativity. For example, they make mosaic tiles and origami models.
- Staff are inspirational role models. Children behave impeccably and they are incredibly kind and polite.
- Staff establish highly effective partnerships with parents and keep them extremely well informed about their children's time at school and the club. For example, staff routinely share children's play experiences and activities, such as the title of books that children are enthralled in, for them to read at home.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

enhance the already excellent opportunities children have to explore and investigate the natural world and how things grow.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed staff interacting with children.
- The inspector viewed the indoor and outdoor environments children use.
- The inspector looked at written documentation, including a sample of the policies and procedures, risk assessments and staff training records.
- The inspector spoke to children, parents and staff, and took their views into consideration.

Inspector

Kelly Hawkins

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is outstanding

The manager and staff are exceptionally good at evaluating their practice together. For instance, they have daily discussions to review how well they engaged children in their play experiences and they set highly challenging targets. Staff fully include the views and suggestions from children, who have an extremely active role in their play. For instance, children add to a wish list and staff implement their ideas into the daily plans. This helps keep children enthralled in extremely interesting experiences. The manager recognises a need to enhance children's understanding of the natural world even further. All staff attend extremely beneficial training to help them keep their already impressive skills and knowledge up to date. Following recent training, they have introduced team games, such as tennis and basket ball to enthuse children in outdoor play. Safeguarding is effective. The manager and staff have an extremely comprehensive knowledge of the safeguarding and child protection policies to help protect children's safety and welfare. Children learn how to keep themselves and others safe. For instance, they recap the fire evacuation procedures daily and focus on the importance of ensuring that their friends and staff are all out of the building safely.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Staff expertly encourage children to share their learning from school and build on these ideas at the club. Children work together impressively to gain awards for their exemplary behaviour. They show incredible acts of kindness to others, such as when they read stories to their younger peers. Staff enthusiastically extend children's play in fascinating and innovative ways. For example, children who are enthused by music are encouraged to make their own interesting instruments, such as banjos, maracas and ocarinas. Children who are excited about a circus story explore face paints and learn tricks, such as how to juggle.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Children have outstanding opportunities to challenge their physical skills during agility and gymnastic sessions. They explore the different ways they can move their bodies as they competently jump and land from various heights and complete cartwheels and headstands. Children develop an excellent understanding of healthy eating. For example, they are extremely keen to make their own healthy items for snack, including fruit smoothies and sushi. Children have incredible respect and understanding for other people's similarities and differences. For instance, they learn simple phases in Russian and Spanish during language sessions. Children learn about an extensive range of events and celebrations traditional to other counties and religious beliefs. They learn about black history and Rosh Hashanah and eagerly explore henna and Rangoli patterns for Diwali.

Setting details

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Local authority Brighton and Hove

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Type of provisionOut-of-school day care

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Day care typeChildcare on non-domestic premises

Age range of children 4 - 7 **Total number of places** 40

Number of children on roll 133

Name of registered person Class Of Their Own Limited

Registered person unique

reference number

RP906446

Date of previous inspection 28 April 2016 **Telephone number** 01273733337

Class of Their Own @ Connaught registered in 2002 and operates in Connaught Infant School in Hove, East Sussex. The club is open Monday to Friday from 3.15pm to 6pm, term time only. The club employs five members of staff, two of whom hold relevant early years qualifications at level 2 or above.

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