

# Ferry Link Club Ltd

Thewall Parish Hall, Bell Lane, Thelwall, WARRINGTON WA4 2SX



<b>Inspection date</b>	28 March 2019
Previous inspection date	12 April 2018

<b>The quality and standards of the early years provision</b>	<b>This inspection:</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>2</b>
	Previous inspection:	Requires improvement	3
Effectiveness of 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

- Overall, the manager and staff have made good progress since the last inspection. Staff are deployed effectively to ensure children are kept safe and their needs met.
- The manager and staff provide a warm and welcoming environment. Children are happy, confident and settled at the club.
- Parents praise the staff on their friendly, caring nature. They appreciate the care staff provide and they know that their children are well cared for. They also comment that staff keep them well informed about what their children have been doing during the session.
- Children describe the club as 'great' and say they love attending the club as there is lots to do. They also comment on how delicious the snacks are. Children are polite, caring and behave well towards each other.
- Older children are caring towards the younger children and will often encourage them to join in with their games and activities. Children play well together and establish good friendships.
- Opportunities for parents to contribute to the self-evaluation of the club are not fully explored and used to make even more meaningful changes.
- Systems for monitoring staff professional performance are not fully developed to help raise their quality of interactions and engagement of children to the highest level.

## What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- refine systems for self-evaluation to provide even more opportunities for parents to contribute their views so staff are able to make even more meaningful changes
- further develop arrangements for monitoring staff performance to raise the quality of staff interactions with children to deepen and enrich children's experiences to the highest level.

### Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the areas of the club.
- The inspector spoke with staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation, including evidence of the suitability of staff working in the club.
- The inspector conducted a joint observation of a planned activity with the manager and assessed the quality of staff interactions with children.
- The inspector spoke to several parents and noted their comments.

### Inspector

Donna Jennings

## Inspection findings

### Effectiveness of leadership and management is good

Arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Staff have a good understanding of the signs of abuse and the procedures to follow if they have concerns. Staff attend regular training to ensure their knowledge is kept up to date. Risk assessments are completed and monitored on a regular basis to help minimise hazards to children. Children are well supervised and deployment of staff is effective. Staff use two-way radios while outdoors to ensure children's safety is optimised and so staff can respond quickly in the event of an accident or emergency. Records of children's attendance are accurately maintained so staff are aware which children are present. These systems ensure children's welfare and safety at all times. The manager and staff routinely reflect on the quality of the club. They work closely together and hold regular team meetings and update sessions. Staff receive good levels of support and guidance to improve their skills and knowledge. Parents provide excellent feedback about the quality of care, staff and resources at the club.

### Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff are well qualified and experienced. They use their good knowledge of the children to plan exciting, varied activities that spark the children's imaginations. Children demonstrate their developing literacy skills as they use a variety of media to design and write cards. Staff have good relationships with the children and know them extremely well. Staff are good role models and speak to the children with respect and understanding. Children feel confident and secure to approach staff when they require assistance. Staff are attentive to their needs and listen carefully to any suggestions that are made. The environment is well organised and children have access to a wide variety of toys and equipment. Children play well together and have lots of fun. They take turns and older children are keen to offer help and support to younger children when needed. For example, older children demonstrated and helped younger ones to make flowers for Mother's Day during an art and craft activity. Children have the opportunity to complete homework in a quiet room, and staff are close by to offer help and assistance when required. Parents are kept well informed about their children's achievements and what they have been doing during the session.

### Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children arrive at the club happy and confident. Staff encourage children to be independent and take responsibility for their own belongings. Children demonstrate their good independence skills as they hang up their coats and bags, and wash their hands ready for their snack. Children choose from a variety of healthy, nutritious snacks. Staff are successfully giving children clear messages about why it is important to have a healthy diet and be physically active. Outdoor facilities are good and children have daily opportunities to be physically active. Children behave exceptionally well and show good awareness of the needs of others. They are kind and courteous to each other and to the staff.

## Setting details

<b>Unique reference number</b>	EY430145
<b>Local authority</b>	Warrington
<b>Inspection number</b>	10079733
<b>Type of provision</b>	Childcare on non-domestic premises
<b>Registers</b>	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
<b>Day care type</b>	Out-of-school day care
<b>Age range of children</b>	3 - 11
<b>Total number of places</b>	80
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	120
<b>Name of registered person</b>	Ferry Link Club Limited
<b>Registered person unique reference number</b>	RP530776
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	12 April 2018
<b>Telephone number</b>	07946168145

Ferry Link Club Ltd registered in 2011 and is located in Warrington. The club employs 10 members of childcare staff. Of these, six hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3. The club opens Monday to Friday, from 7.30am until 9am and 3pm until 6pm during term time, and from 7.30am until 6pm during school holidays.

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