

Wacky Snacky Club

All Saints Childcare Centre, Vicarage Road, NEWMARKET, Suffolk CB8 8JE



Inspection date	1 July 2019
Previous inspection date	7 February 2019

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Requires improvement	3
	Previous inspection:	Inadequate	4
Effectiveness of leadership and management		Requires improvement	3
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 is a provision that requires improvement

- The provider does not have effective arrangements to provide support, coaching and training for managers and staff, to foster mutual support, teamwork and continually improving provision.
- Children's independence is not fully promoted. Staff carry out tasks that children are capable of doing for themselves.
- Staff do not always ensure children are provided with healthy, nutritious snacks. Opportunities are missed to promote children's understanding of healthy lifestyles.

It has the following strengths

- The provider has addressed the weaknesses raised at the last inspection and at a more recent visit from Ofsted. Managers and staff have had training in safeguarding arrangements. They know how to identify possible signs of child abuse or neglect. Staff vetting procedures have been strengthened.
- Children say they enjoy coming to the club. After school, they play energetic games or spend time in creative activities, according to their individual preferences.
- Staff make good use of children's interests when planning new activities. For example, they provide football cards for children to collect and share.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

To meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage the provider must:

	Due date
implement appropriate arrangements for the supervision, support and coaching of managers and staff. Include opportunities for staff to consider the interests and welfare of children and discuss sensitive issues.	25/07/2019

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

- make the most of opportunities for children to carry out tasks for themselves, to extend their independence and boost their confidence and self-esteem
- support children to make healthier choices in their food and drink.

Inspection activities

- The inspector looked at areas of the premises used by the children and the resources available to them.
- The inspector spoke with staff, children and parents during the inspection.
- The inspector looked at some documents, including evidence of staff training and suitability, and children's records.
- The inspector observed children's activities and spoke with the manager and staff about how they plan for children's interests.

Inspector

Veronica Sharpe

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management requires improvement

Committee members, who make up the management body, have begun to make improvements to the club. The club's policies and procedures have been revised. Safeguarding is effective. Managers and staff have undertaken several safeguarding training events and are continuing to develop their understanding of the signs of abuse. They know the procedures to follow if they have concerns about a child's welfare. The manager, who is also the nominated individual, has strengthened recruitment and induction procedures. She has recently started supervision meetings with a member of the management committee. Meetings with staff that provide them with support, coaching and professional development opportunities have not been regularly implemented.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children have an enjoyable time at the club. They greet staff enthusiastically when they arrive and quickly settle to their activities. Staff provide a broad selection of resources, such as construction toys, games and role-play equipment. Although some staff are new to the club, they have quickly built good relationships with children. Staff take time to talk with children, help them with activities and listen to their thoughts and ideas. Children have an interest in mark-making activities. Younger children make treasure maps. They show staff where the treasure chest is hidden and pretend to dig it up. Older children competently write out their names and draw complex pictures. Parents have a positive view of the club. They say their children are always pleased to attend. Staff encourage parents to share children's home experiences to give them a better understanding of what children enjoy and can do. Some staff work with the children in school, which helps them to support any children who need extra help with their learning.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children play well together and have good relationships with staff and each other. Older children cheerfully integrate younger children into their games. Staff have an effective key-person system that helps young children to settle in and begin to make friendships with others. Children have daily opportunities to be active outdoors. They play energetic games of football and enjoy scooting down slopes. Staff take care to supervise children and ensure the premises are kept secure. Visitors have their identity checked and have no unsupervised contact with children. Most staff hold current first-aid certificates, which helps to promote children's safety in the event of accidents. Children show a good sense of belonging. They contribute to the display boards and offer their ideas for activities and resources.

Setting details

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Local authority	Suffolk
Inspection number	10097510
Type of provision	Childcare on non-domestic premises
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Out-of-school day care
Age range of children	4 - 10
Total number of places	24
Number of children on roll	38
Name of registered person	The Wacky Snacky Clubs at All Saints School Committee
Registered person unique reference number	RP907826
Date of previous inspection	7 February 2019
Telephone number	01638 561 617

Wacky Snacky Club registered in 1998 and is located in Newmarket. The club employs five members of childcare staff. Of these, two hold appropriate qualifications at level 2 or above. The club opens from Monday to Friday during term time. Sessions are from 7.30am until 8.35am and from 3pm until 5pm.

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