KOOSA Kids Holiday and After School Club at Birch Hill School, Bracknell



Birch Hill Primary School, Lepington, BRACKNELL, Berkshire RG12 7WW

| Inspection date | 11 July 2019 |
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| Previous inspection date | 30 March 2015 |

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

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Staff use the indoor and outdoor areas extremely well to provide a wide range of inviting experiences, to support children's interests. Children show high levels of engagement and they build effectively on existing skills that they are learning at school, to support their future learning.
- Partnership working is very strong. Links with the host primary school, parents and other external professionals are rooted in trust and respect. Parents are kept fully informed of their children's time at the club and receive regular newsletters.
- Children are always busy and happy. They thoroughly enjoy the experiences on offer. They especially enjoy the opportunities for prolonged outdoor play in the good weather.
- Children's behaviour is very good. They show care and concern for others and are kind, welcoming and polite.
- Children develop a good understanding of healthy lifestyles. They follow good hygiene routines and are provided with healthy, nutritious snacks and independent access to drinking water. However, on occasion, some staff complete some simple tasks that children could complete for their selves.
- Although supervisions are in place for monitoring staff practice and identifying staff training, the provider has not fully embedded systems to help raise the overall quality of practice to an outstanding level.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- embed systems to monitor staff practice to strengthen and drive forward the overall quality and develop staffs understanding of their targets for improvement
- develop further opportunities for children to complete simple tasks for their selves.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed, listened to and talked with children as they played indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector talked with parents and listened to their views about the club and their children's well-being.
- The inspector discussed staff's planning and evaluation of activities, and how they exchange information with parents.
- The inspector reviewed records and procedures relating to safeguarding and risk assessment, and discussed a range of other procedures relating to children's welfare with the director and the staff.
- The inspector discussed how staff training is helping to establish and improve practice at the club with the director and the staff.

Inspector

Chris Lamey

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is good

The provider implements rigorous recruitment and vetting procedures to ensure staff are safe and remain suitable to work with children. Safeguarding is effective. The supervisor and staff have a secure understanding of child protection issues and know the procedures to follow should they have any concerns about a child's welfare. They know the referral procedure well and understand the steps to take should they become concerned about the professional conduct of a colleague. Robust risk assessments are in place and all areas of the club are safe and secure. Staff attend mandatory training and keep up to date with changes in legislation and policy. Children attend regularly. There are good arrangements for monitoring children's attendance with the host school and parents. Staff acquire information through discussions with parents about children's backgrounds, interests and attainments to support their understanding of children's needs. Staff act on informative handover discussions with teachers at the end of the day to offer continuity in children's care.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Extremely well-planned activities and games provide excellent opportunities for children to follow instructions, listen and communicate, while at the same time develop confidence and physical skills. Staff provide a very well-organised environment where children have fun and play freely. Staff make the best use of the spaces available. For example, cosy areas are furnished with cushions and a variety of books are available. Children use these areas to rest or read quietly. Children of all ages play cooperatively together. They independently draw hopscotch grids with chalks and work together to write the numbers and decide on the rules. They thoroughly enjoy the experiences on offer. Staff interact with children extremely well making learning great fun. For example, staff and children jump from tyre to tyre, developing fabulous balancing skills. Children eagerly join in with fun and creative activities. For instance, children make 'pop-up hands' using rubber gloves and paper cups. Children write numbers on the fingers and write instructions for others to follow. Staff ensure that activities are very well planned and adapted for children of differing ages and abilities.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children are happy and settle well within the friendly environment. They develop strong friendships with other children and secure attachments with familiar adults. Children move around confidently and engage in different activities. Staff show a genuine interest in what the children say and do and show that they respect children's views. Care practices across the club are good. Staff place high priority in meeting children's physical and emotional well-being. They spend time getting to know children and their families during the settling-in period and gather information from previous and current settings, including the host school nursery. Children learn about the world around them and develop an understanding of different cultural festivals celebrated. Children are very thoughtful and respectful. They make up games together and encourage others to take care as they play football near the children as they sit on the ground drawing with chunky chalks.

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Setting details

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| Local authority | Bracknell Forest |
| Inspection number | 10108652 |
| 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 - 11 |
| Total number of places | 80 |
| Number of children on roll | 147 |
| Name of registered person | KOOSA Kids Limited |
| Registered person unique reference number | RP900842 |
| Date of previous inspection | 30 March 2015 |
| Telephone number | 0845 094 2322 |

KOOSA Kids at Birch Hill Primary School registered as a holiday playscheme and out-ofschool club in 2007. It is located in Birch Hill Primary School, Bracknell, Berkshire. The holiday scheme operates from 8.15am until 6pm. The after-school club runs from school finishing time to 6pm. Currently, 22 staff are employed and of these, three core staff work full time with the children. Two hold relevant childcare qualifications at level three.

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