

Castle Holiday Club At Finstall



Finstall First School, Carnforth Road, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire B60
2HS

Inspection date	9 August 2019
Previous inspection date	26 August 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
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

- Children enjoy the time they spend at this welcoming and friendly club. They arrive happily, separate well from their parents and quickly engage in their chosen activity.
- Managers and staff are well qualified and experienced. They use their knowledge of how children learn to provide a good range of activities that help children to continue to make progress in all areas of learning.
- Children enjoy taking part in the wide range of planned activities. They routinely invite staff to join in with their play. For example, they enjoy playing card games and team games of cricket on the playground.
- Children behave well. Staff act as good role models and give children gentle reminders about the rules of the setting. The friendships between older children and younger children are extremely positive. Children happily share, take turns and involve others in their games.
- Managers and staff are committed to providing good-quality care for all children. They continually reflect on their provision to identify further ways to build on the already good practice.
- Staff are yet to build on partnerships with parents and other settings that some children attend to exchange more information to help complement children's experiences between settings.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- strengthen partnership working with parents and some other providers to boost consistency and complement children's experiences between settings.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of activities indoors and outdoors, and assessed the impact this has on children's enjoyment.
- The inspector held meetings with the managers. She looked at relevant documents, including children's details and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the club.
- The inspector spoke to staff and children during the inspection.
- The inspector took account of the views of parents spoken to during the inspection.

Inspector

Amanda Tompkin

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is good

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Managers and staff have a good understanding of the procedures to follow should they have concerns about a child's welfare. The environment is safe and secure. Staff supervise children well and complete ongoing risk assessments to help reduce any hazards. For example, staff limit the use of some outdoor equipment following heavy rainfall. They talk to children about why some equipment may now be unsuitable to use because the playground is slippery. As a result, children are learning how to keep themselves safe. Procedures for supervision and monitoring staff practice are good. Staff receive ongoing support and training to help build upon their existing skills. Parents spoken to on the day of the inspection express how satisfied they are with the club. They say their children are happy and enjoy attending.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff have a good understanding of how to support young children in their play. They engage well with children and make activities enjoyable. This helps to promote children's interest in their play. Staff speak to children about what they are doing, ask questions and encourage them to extend and develop their play. Children remain focused for long periods of time. They enjoy using bricks to construct pretend multi-storey car parks. Children use their imaginative and creative skills as they stage talent shows and make jewellery using a range of beads. Staff use good methods of teaching to help children learn new skills. For example, they provide clear instructions and plenty of encouragement to help children learn to use the pogo sticks on the playground. Children squeal with delight and show how pleased they are as they show off their new skills to their friends and visitors.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children are confident and self-assured. They readily talk to visitors about why they enjoy coming to the club. They express how much they like playing with their friends and choosing from the range of activities on offer. Children enjoy regular time spent outdoors where they have opportunities to be physically active and have use of the school playgrounds. Staff encourage children to be independent. For example, children take responsibility for their own belongings and continue to manage their own self-care needs well. Children learn the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. They follow good hygiene routines and enjoy a range of healthy and nutritious snacks. Children are continuing to develop the skills needed to support them with their learning at school.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY369895
Local authority	Worcestershire
Inspection number	10067038
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	3 - 11
Total number of places	60
Number of children on roll	170
Name of registered person	Castle Nursery Ltd
Registered person unique reference number	RP904556
Date of previous inspection	26 August 2015
Telephone number	07977 028 088

Castle Holiday Club At Finstall registered in 2008. The club employs eight members of childcare staff, all of whom hold appropriate childcare qualifications at level 3 or above, including two who hold level 6. The club is open from Monday to Friday during school holidays. Sessions are from 8am until 6pm.

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