

Ultimate Activity Camps at Beachborough School



Beachborough School, Westbury Manor, Westbury, BRACKLEY,
Northamptonshire NN13 5LB

Inspection date	16 August 2019
Previous inspection date	6 August 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Outstanding	1
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

- Staff provide a range of activities that engage children well in their play. They provide them with many opportunities to be physically active and creative.
- Staff help children behave well. Children enjoy playing team games. They learn to take turns and include other children in their play. Staff sensitively help children to celebrate their friends' achievements.
- Staff are aware of the importance of keeping children safe. Regular checks on the environment and activities help staff to identify and minimise any potential risks. Staff supervise children well to help keep them safe. They talk to children about how to stay safe in the camp.
- Staff help children to practise their existing skills well. For example, they encourage children to use their early reading skills as they share books together.
- The management team provides purposeful and clear leadership for the newly established staff group. For example, effective induction is provided that ensures staff are familiar with their roles and responsibilities.
- Staff do not fully support younger children's need to rest at times.
- Staff do not successfully gather information from all parents to help them tailor activities to reflect children's preferences and past experiences.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- enhance the daily routine so that children who need to rest during the day have opportunities to do so
- gain more detailed information from parents to help tailor activities around individual children's interests and past experiences.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities and staff interactions with children.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the manager and a director and discussed the impact of staff support on children's interest and engagement.
- The inspector talked to staff, children and the management team at appropriate points throughout the inspection.
- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability and professional development of staff.
- The inspector took into account the views of parents spoken to on the day and the written feedback provided by other parents.

Inspector

Vicky Weir

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The management team ensures that staff update their safeguarding knowledge before working in the camp. Staff know how to identify and report any child protection concerns. The management team robustly ensures the suitability of all staff before they have any contact with children. The manager monitors staff practice regularly. He supports staff to develop their skills and knowledge. For example, the manager has successfully helped staff to improve their support for children's art and craft skills. This helps to ensure children have good-quality experiences at the club. The management team gains the views of parents regularly and reflects on the quality of the provision. This information is used to identify areas for improvement. For example, the booking process for has been simplified for parents as a result of feedback.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff are highly qualified, which results in positive interactions between them and children. Activities on offer help maintain children's attention, while keeping them entertained. For example, children enjoy free-choice play times and planned sporting games. Staff ask thought-provoking questions which encourage children to think. For example, effective questioning helps children who play with construction materials to use their design skills well. Staff support children to develop their knowledge of mathematical concepts. They encourage children to keep score during team games and calculate who has won. Children show good concentration and thoroughly enjoy being creative. For example, they enjoy making masks and exploring the collage and paint materials. Staff help children to follow their own ideas, such as when they mix and change the colour of paints.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff have established warm relationships with children. They help those who are less confident to settle. Staff consistently praise children's efforts and achievements. This helps to develop children's confidence. Staff promote children's knowledge and understanding of good hygiene and healthy eating effectively. They check children have washed their hands after using the toilet. Staff discuss the effect of activity on children's bodies. For example, they encourage children to feel their heart rates after exercising. Staff successfully help children to become independent. They encourage younger children to persevere with tasks they find tricky, such as putting on their socks and shoes. Children enjoy taking responsibility for small tasks. They help to tidy away toys and then set up activities. Children demonstrate that they are happy and have fun in this warm and welcoming setting.

Setting details

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Local authority	Northamptonshire
Inspection number	10112950
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 - 12
Total number of places	64
Number of children on roll	183
Name of registered person	The Ultimate Activity Company Ltd
Registered person unique reference number	RP901335
Date of previous inspection	6 August 2015
Telephone number	0330 1117077

Ultimate Activity Camps at Beachborough School registered in 2013 and is situated in Westbury, on the outskirts of Brackley. The camp operates from 8am until 6pm, Monday to Friday, during school holidays only. It currently employs five staff who work with the youngest children. Of these, two hold qualified teacher status.

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