

Inspection of Combe Down SuperPirates

Combe Down Scout Hut, The Avenue, Bath BA2 5EQ

Inspection date:

15 September 2022

**The quality and
standards of early
years provision**

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not applicable

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The passionate and motivated provider has a clear vision for the club. He states that children are the 'heart and mind' of the club. Their emotional well-being and happiness are a priority for him and his staff. He discusses how they focus on children being the most 'awesome versions of themselves' by encouraging children to 'have a go, be kind to themselves' and learn by exploration.
- The provider and staff explain how they offer a safe, fun, magical environment. They have daily discussions about how they organise activities indoors and outdoors. Each day they plan activities inspired from the children's ideas, interests and fascinations, that the 'admiral of awesome' captures, as they walk to the club. Staff recognise the importance of knowing the children being vital for successful planning. They speak fondly of the children that they care for and value them as 'awesome' individuals.
- The provider has high expectations for children's behaviour. He passionately describes the club's 'kindness contract' that is in place. The provider constantly reflects on the impact it has on the children. He describes how children remind each other of the contract to resolve conflicts if they occur.
- The provider knows his staff exceptionally well. He explains the importance of investing in his team, so they can improve what they offer to all children. He shares that his dedicated staff strive to be excellent role models. Staff feel valued and supported by the inspirational provider. They have access to regular training to extend their knowledge and skills.
- The provider and staff have excellent knowledge and an outstanding understanding of how to keep children safe and how to identify a child at risk. There are clear procedures to follow if he, or a member of staff, have concerns about the welfare of a child. The provider makes sure that staff know how to report any concerns which they may have about a colleague. There are robust strategies in place to ensure that staff are suitable to work with children.
- The provider and staff describe how they ensure that the premises are safe. They complete regular checks and take any necessary steps to mitigate risks. They discuss how they encourage children to also manage their own risks. For example, they use the walk from school to club to promote road safety.
- The provider has exceptional knowledge of how to promote healthy lifestyles for children. For example, he recently acquired a local allotment with a vision for children to gain an understanding of growing and eating healthy produce. The club provides children with the space to be physically active and are encouraged to play outside daily.
- The provider recognises the importance of establishing links with schools. He describes how they have successfully managed this with older children, understanding that the sharing of information provides consistency for children's care and learning.

There were no children in the early years age range present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no early years children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Setting details

Unique reference number	2603912
Local authority	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Inspection number	10216157
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 at time of inspection	5 to 11
Total number of places	30
Number of children on roll	45
Name of registered person	SuperPirates Ltd
Registered person unique reference number	2603914
Telephone number	07792758342
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

Combe Down SuperPirates was registered in 2020 and operates from the Scout Hut in the Combe Down area in Bath. The club is open Monday to Thursday during term time from 3.15pm to 6pm. There are 11 staff working at the club. Of these, two are qualified to level 6 and four are qualified to level 3, including the manager.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Charlotte Adcock

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed any continued impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The inspector talked to the provider about the range of activities which he provides for children and how he supports their emotional well-being. The provider discussed his expectations for children's behaviour while attending the club.
- The provider talked about how he supports staff to develop their skills and knowledge, and how he reflects on the service which he provides for children and their parents.
- Although there were no children in the early years age range present at the time of this inspection, there were children present who were over the age of five years.
- The inspector discussed with the manager how he intends to meet the safeguarding and welfare requirements when looking after early years children.
- The inspector viewed the provision and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises.
- The inspector viewed a sample of the documentation that the provider uses in the club. These included how children's attendance is recorded and the checks he carries out to ensure that staff are suitable to work with children.

We carried out this inspection under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the early years foundation stage.

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