

Inspection of Totterdown Children's Community Workshop

Wells Road, Bristol BS4 2AG

Inspection date:

13 September 2022

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Outstanding

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- Children and staff greet each other warmly as they arrive in the building. Staff are very playful in their interactions and children respond extremely well to their fun and engaging approach. They help children to raise their self-esteem. For example, they demonstrate skills and encourage children to keep trying and praise them for their efforts.
- An abundance of laughter and chatter can be heard throughout the club, showing that children enjoy the time they spend here. They comment that the club feels like being at home.
- The club operates from a building underneath a church. There is no access to an outdoor area. A very large room in the basement enables children to play large ball games including football and basketball. Staff provide children with opportunities to access the outdoors by taking them to local parks.
- Partnerships with parents are strong. Staff eagerly greet parents when they collect their children. They take time to talk to them and point them to services that can help them support their children's development and their social and emotional needs.
- The venue has many individual rooms with a wide variety of play opportunities in each room. Children particularly enjoy playing hiding games within the interlinking rooms. They safely navigate the space, showing an awareness of others and how to keep themselves safe.
- Children interact happily with one another and behave well. Older children help younger children to understand the need to queue as they access fruit and toast at snack time.
- The experienced leader operates a well-organised club. Staff use their knowledge and experience effectively to support those children who need additional help and encouragement.
- Children form meaningful relationships with staff and follow instructions well. Staff promote children's healthy lifestyles well. They explain the importance of washing their hands before eating their snack.
- New school systems inform parents of accidents via electronic medium. However, this does not include notifying the club. The leader is working with the school to help them understand why staff at the club also need this information, to help support the children's welfare.
- The dedicated leader encourages her staff to access training to develop their skills and knowledge. They meet regularly with the leader, receive feedback on their performance and attend regular team meetings.
- Leaders and staff implement risk assessments. They review accidents and injuries to minimise the risk of these reoccurring.
- The club receives donations of food from a variety of shops. The leader encourages children to acknowledge these gifts as they write thank you messages to the organisations.
- Staff have a detailed understanding of their role and responsibility in protecting children from harm. They confidently describe the possible signs and symptoms

that may indicate that a child is suffering from harm. They know the steps to take to report safeguarding concerns to the relevant agencies. Staff know what to do if they become concerned about the conduct of a colleague.

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	EY445158
Local authority	Bristol City of
Inspection number	10218625
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	0 to 0
Total number of places	30
Number of children on roll	202
Name of registered person	Totterdown Children's Community Workshop Committee
Registered person unique reference number	RP522911
Telephone number	07889732830
Date of previous inspection	17 August 2016

Information about this early years setting

Totterdown Children's Community Workshop registered in 2012 and operates from Wells Road, Bristol. The club employs three members of staff. Of these, one staff member holds an appropriate early years qualification at level 3. The club opens on Monday to Thursday, from 3.30pm to 6pm, during school term time. It also opens on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 8.30am to 6pm, during school holidays.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Lin Harvey

Inspection activities

- Although there were no children in the early age range present at the time of this inspection, there were children present who were over the age of five years.
- This was the first routine inspection the provider received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the leader and has taken that into account in her evaluation of the provider.
- The leader gave the inspector a tour of the club and explained what activities are on offer for children.
- The inspector observed activities and the interactions between staff and children.
- Discussions were held between the inspector and parents. The inspector took account of parents' views.
- Children talked to the inspector throughout the inspection, and she took account of their views.
- The inspector held discussions with staff and held a meeting with the leader. The leader showed the inspector documentation to demonstrate the suitability of staff.

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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