

Inspection of Pinchbeck Kids Club

Pinchbeck East C of E Primary School, Fennell Road, Pinchbeck, SPALDING,
Lincolnshire PE11 3RP

Inspection date: 11 October 2023

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not Met (with actions)

What is it like to attend this early years setting?

This provision meets requirements

Children enjoy the time they spend in this friendly club. They choose to draw, read, play with trains and challenge each other at table football. Children are creative and enjoy arts and crafts. They make clothes for dolls from paper and draw intricate pictures of dragons. Children are engaged in their play. They show enjoyment in what they are doing as they smile and laugh with one another and the staff. Older children show care for the younger children, including them in their play and helping them where needed.

Children and staff chat throughout the session, interacting very positively. The club rules are on display, and children explain that it is important to be kind, share with others and be polite. Staff give children raffle tickets when they demonstrate positive behaviours, and each week there are prizes to be won. Children respond well to this and are proud when they receive a raffle ticket in recognition of their efforts. Staff and children work together as a team. Children help staff to tidy up. When they are helpful, staff praise them, thanking them for their assistance. Staff are good role models for positive behaviour and good communication.

What does the early years setting do well and what does it need to do better?

- Good progress has been made since the last inspection. The nominated individual has increased his knowledge and understanding of the procedures to follow to provide Ofsted with information about the individuals who make up the management committee. All committee members now have the required suitability checks in place. The nominated individual understands the importance of ensuring the suitability of all those connected with the organisation and running of the club.
- Staff and children share good relationships, which foster a very positive atmosphere in the club. Children listen when staff ask them to do something. When staff want to get children's attention, they clap their hands, and children stop what they are doing to listen. Children happily return to their chosen activity after hearing what the staff need to say.
- The key-person system is effective in ensuring children are supported and settled in the club. Staff get to know the children and their families well. Children with special educational needs and/or disabilities are supported appropriately. Staff work with parents and school staff to ensure all children's individual needs are met.
- Staff promote children's good health. They encourage children to wash their hands before eating and follow good hygiene practices. Staff provide children with a variety of healthy snacks, including couscous, peppers and sweetcorn. They encourage children to try different and unusual foods, such as pickled

onions. Some children think they taste delicious, and others who attempt them do not like the sour taste. Staff praise them for trying them. There is much laughter about the pickled onions, and snack time is an enjoyable and sociable experience for the children.

- Staff ensure children can choose if they would like to play inside or outside, unless the weather is particularly cold or wet. Children benefit from fresh air and exercise as they play games outside.
- Parents speak highly of the club and the staff. They say their children enjoy attending because the staff provide activities which are enjoyable and interesting. Parents comment that staff communicate well with them, sharing useful information about their children's time at the club.
- Staff support children to learn about technology and the risks they could be exposed to online and when playing computer games. Staff share this information with parents.
- Staff comment that they feel supported by the manager. The staff team is well established and work closely together. The manager treats staff to a small gift each week to show her appreciation, and staff state they really value this.
- The manager reflects on areas for improvement in the club. She has recently identified that communication with parents could be enhanced and has plans to achieve this. The manager has also recognised that the older children who attend the club are not always as engaged with the activities as the younger children. The manager and staff intend to improve how they consult with older children about what they would like at the club.

Safeguarding

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.

Staff supervise children vigilantly and deploy themselves effectively to keep everyone safe. When parents arrive to collect their children, they wait at the locked gate and call the club telephone to alert staff, who bring the children to them. If someone new is due to collect a child staff follow strict procedures to verify their identity. Staff understand their responsibilities regarding child protection. They know the signs to look out for which indicate a child is at risk of harm. Staff know who to contact if they have safeguarding concerns about a child or colleague. Staff complete risk assessments to ensure the areas children access are safe and suitable.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY257900
Local authority	Lincolnshire
Inspection number	10279350
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	4 to 11
Total number of places	32
Number of children on roll	96
Name of registered person	Pinchbeck Kids Club Committee
Registered person unique reference number	RP521340
Telephone number	01775718662
Date of previous inspection	16 December 2022

Information about this early years setting

Pinchbeck Kids Club registered in 2008. It is independently run and operates from Pinchbeck East C of E Primary School in Pinchbeck, Lincolnshire. The club employs four members of childcare staff. Of these, three hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3 and one at level 2. The club opens all year round, apart from one week in the summer holidays and two weeks at Christmas. During school term time, the club opens Monday to Friday, from 7.30am until 8.40am, and from 3.15pm until 6pm. In the school holidays, the club opens Monday to Friday, from 8.30am until 5.30pm.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Clare Johnson

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed any continued impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in her evaluation of the provider.
- The manager showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The inspector spoke to the children to find out about their time at the club.
- The inspector talked to the staff at appropriate times during the inspection and took account of their views.
- The inspector observed the interactions between the staff and the children.
- Parents and carers shared their views of the club with the inspector.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation and reviewed evidence of the suitability of staff working in the club.
- The inspector spoke with the nominated individual about the leadership and management of the club.

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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