Ultimate Primary Sports

St. Vincents RC Primary School, The Ridgeway, London, NW7 1EJ



Inspection date21 February 2017
Previous inspection date
21 February 2017
12 May 2016

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Requires Improvement	3
Effectiveness of the 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

- The manager evaluates the effectiveness of the provision well. He has taken successful action to address weaknesses highlighted at the last inspection and has also made further improvements. For example, a new storage system has been introduced so that children can store their personal belongings safely.
- The manager ensures that staff and volunteers improve their practice through a rigorous induction and personal development plans. The manager and staff access further training opportunities to improve their skills and knowledge.
- Staff provide support that develops children's self-esteem and sense of community in the club. For example, children receive praise for helping each other to tidy up after snack time, or for remembering their club's rules.
- Children behave very well at the club. The children relate well to staff and are happy to participate in the activities on offer.

It is not yet outstanding because:

■ The manager does not ensure that staff consistently respond quickly to parents' and children's views. For example, even though parents and children have asked for a greater variety of snacks after school, the refreshments offered to children after school are not as varied as those offered in the breakfast club.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

build on the already good partnerships with parents and children to seek and respond to their views even more effectively, to enhance children's experiences in the club.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the hall and outside areas used by the club.
- The inspector spoke to the manager, staff, some parents and the children at suitable times.
- The inspector observed the manager and staff playing and communicating with the children.
- The inspector looked at a sample of the club's records, including how the manager and staff plan relevant activities and the procedures for keeping children safe.
- The inspector spoke to the manager about how he plans to improve the service that the club provides.

Inspector

Jennifer McStravick

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The manager and staff have a thorough understanding of what poses a risk to children, and of the procedures to follow if they have a concern about a child's welfare. The manager and staff complete daily safety checks of the environment and resources. Children help to complete these checks in the breakfast session and develop their understanding of how to keep themselves and their friends safe. The manager completes regular self-evaluation to identify areas that may require improvement. The manager has used support from the local authority to successfully gain a quality service accreditation for the club and for his evaluation processes. The manager enables children to present their ideas to contribute to the evaluation of the provision. For example, once a month the manager holds a club council meeting where children discuss their ideas and feed back their views to the staff.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff offer a friendly and stimulating environment for the children, with a variety of quality resources and activities to choose from. Children explained how they enjoy the themed activities, such as movie and bingo nights, and being able to play sports outside. Children enjoy creating models from recycled boxes and craft supplies. Staff offer children challenge to motivate and engage them, and to manage their emotions. For example, staff distract a child from the collapse of his model racetrack by asking him to think about what could make it even stronger next time. The manager has made improvements to the club since the last inspection. Children now benefit from resting in their new 'chilax' zone, and from being able to sit and complete their homework in a quieter space.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

The manager collects information about children's likes and dislikes before they join, and offers children the chance to visit with their parents to experience what the club is like. This helps children to settle into the club quickly. The staff have high expectations for children's behaviour. Children behave well and are caring towards each other; younger children copy the good examples set by the older children. The children and the staff create their own club rules, which the children remind each other to follow; for example, not being outside without a coat on. The youngest children benefit from their own corner with toys and resources designed for their age. They enjoy playing with the older children and invite them into their area to join their play. Children stated that they enjoy the cooking club, learning about healthy foods and making fruit kebabs and yoghurt smoothies.

Setting details

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Local authority Barnet

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Type of provision Out of school provision

Day care typeChildcare - Non-Domestic

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Age range of children 4 - 8

Total number of places 27

Number of children on roll 45

Name of registered person

Ultimate Primary Sports Limited

Registered person unique

reference number

RP902315

Date of previous inspection 12 May 2016

Telephone number 07862737527

Ultimate Primary Sports registered in 2012. It operates from St Vincent's Primary School, in the London Borough of Barnet. The club offers care from 8am to 8.45am and from 3.30pm to 6pm each weekday, during term time. There are three staff and a volunteer; of these, one holds an appropriate childcare qualification at level 3 and one holds a qualification at level 2.

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