

Inspection of Beechwood Link Club

Beechwood CP School, Grasmere Drive, Beechwood, Runcorn, Cheshire WA7 2TT

Inspection date:

12 August 2024

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The provider recognises the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on children. As such, they plan to offer a range of opportunities to support children's well-being. For example, staff intend to provide stage performances and collaborative games to help build children's confidence and social skills.
- The provider has a secure understanding of how to meet children's individual needs. They intend to plan a variety of activities that are age-appropriate and engaging to ignite children's interest and curiosity.
- The provider is aware of the importance of managing children's behaviour through a well-established culture of respect. Staff would guide children to understand the daily routines. They would also offer lots of praise to help children develop confidence and a 'can-do' attitude.
- The provider plans to prioritise children's well-being by gathering detailed information from parents at the start. They have created a thoughtfully designed environment that includes areas for children to relax. The provider would also involve children in decision-making to give them a sense of ownership and responsibility.
- The provider values the importance of supporting staff in their professional development. Staff undertake regular courses to enhance their knowledge and skills. The provider also understands the importance of building relationships with parents, staff and the wider community. They recognise the benefits these partnerships have on children's care and well-being.
- The provider implements robust health and safety policies and procedures to ensure that the premises are well maintained and secure. All staff are trained in paediatric first aid. This means they are qualified to administer first aid if children sustain any injuries.
- The provider gives priority to healthy eating and promoting good hygiene practice. They would ensure different fruits are available for snack. In addition, fresh drinking water would be easily accessible to children. The provider plans to offer daily opportunities for children to access the outdoor area, to help support their physical health and well-being.

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	EY409465
Local authority	Halton
Inspection number	10351015
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	40
Number of children on roll	49
Name of registered person	Knowles, Marisa Julie
Registered person unique reference number	RP512238
Telephone number	01928 590890
Date of previous inspection	27 September 2018

Information about this early years setting

Beechwood Link Club registered in 2011 and is managed by a private provider. The club is situated in Beechwood County Primary School, Halton, Cheshire. The club employs three members of staff. Of these, two hold childcare qualifications. The club opens during term time, from 7.30am to 9am and from 3pm to 6pm. During the school holidays, the club opens from 7.30am to 6pm.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Jayne Renshaw

Inspection activities

- 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 provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The inspector viewed the provision and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises.
- The inspector talked to staff at appropriate times during the inspection and took account of their views.
- The inspector spoke with the registered individual about the leadership and management of the setting.
- The inspector spoke to several parents during the inspection and took account of their views.
- The registered individual provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- The inspector observed the interactions between staff and 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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