

Playfit St Michaels

St Michael And All Angels C Of E School, Brookside, Leicester, LE7 4YB



Inspection date	8 September 2016
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
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

- Staff have built excellent partnerships with the host school. High priority is given to ensuring activities at the club complement those undertaken at school. Children display high levels of confidence and self-esteem.
- Staff are good role models. Children are valued and made to feel welcome. They are developing excellent social skills. Children are extremely polite, well mannered and behave exceptionally well.
- Children are supported to lead a healthy lifestyle. They learn about making healthy food choices and are given drinks and snacks that are healthy and nutritionally balanced. Children enjoy the weekly cooking club where they learn about where food comes from and how to produce a nutritious meal.
- Children have opportunities for active play both indoors and outdoors, which helps promote their physical well-being effectively.
- Staff understand their roles and responsibilities and have completed relevant courses, such as child protection and first-aid training.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff have not given enough consideration to how they can ensure that information is shared effectively with children when they are collected from their classrooms. The environment is noisy and children do not always hear about where they need to go or what activities are available.
- Younger children are not always given the opportunity to do things for themselves, even when children demonstrate they are able. This is because staff sometimes allow older children to take over.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- share information more effectively with children so they are better aware of where to go and what activities they can take part in
- provide more opportunities for children to be able to extend their independence skills and do more for themselves.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the club area manager.
- The inspector held a meeting with the area manager. She looked at relevant documentation, such as the club's self-evaluation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the club.
- The inspector spoke to a small selection of parents during the inspection and took account of their views.

Inspector

Tracy Hopkins

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Arrangements for safeguarding are effective. There are clear policies, procedures and risk assessments that are implemented well by staff. There are robust recruitment and vetting procedures in place. The organisation of staff is very good. Staff supervise children closely and regularly practise safety procedures with them. Leaders support the staff with their professional development, through regular discussions and by identifying training that will help them improve practice. For instance, the area manager has plans to complete a leadership diploma. In addition, staff have had additional training on behaviour management. Leaders and staff regularly discuss the enhancements they make to the club. Parents' views have been sought through effective use of questionnaires and the actions taken are making ongoing improvements to the provision.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children have opportunities to use their imaginations in their play. Throughout the club, children are engaged, busy and make good use of their learning environment. Activities are planned to complement the learning that children undertake at school. For example, children have opportunities to practise their reading and writing skills. Children participate well and show motivation to learn. They demonstrate their developing communication skills well. They talk confidently in a group about their personal experiences and what they have learnt at school. Staff ask them lots of questions. They help children to extend their thinking and ideas. Staff provide parents with plenty of information about what their children have done and enjoyed, which enables parents to continue to support their children's developing skills and interests.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff provide a safe, well organised and welcoming environment for children. Children enjoy group activities that help them to make friends, listen to others and play cooperatively. Children enjoy playing games outdoors and staff encourage them to work as a team. They use physical play equipment safely, developing their skills as they balance on wooden beams or climb and negotiate their way up and over the large apparatus. Children follow the rules for sharing and taking turns, playing cooperatively when engaged in games, such as football. Staff are friendly and attentive to children's needs. Children feel safe and secure and form positive relationships with staff. Children's time at the club provides them with good opportunities to further develop the skills and attributes needed for their continued learning in school and for future life.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY487655
Local authority	Leicestershire
Inspection number	1010213
Type of provision	Out of school provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	4 - 11
Total number of places	26
Number of children on roll	67
Name of registered person	Playfit St Michaels
Registered person unique reference number	RP534471
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	01664 424453

Playfit St Michaels was registered in 2015. The club employs three members of childcare staff. Of these, two hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 2 or 3. The club is open Monday to Friday, during term time. Sessions are from 3pm until 5.45pm.

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