

Inspection of Gems Hub

Thurlaston C Of E Primary School, Desford Road, Thurlaston, Leicester LE9 7TE

Inspection date:

9 May 2025

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not applicable

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The provider demonstrates an understanding of how to identify if children are at risk of harm and where to report any concerns. The provider implements procedures to ensure that staff's knowledge is current, such as providing training courses for them to attend and discussing how to identify vulnerable children.
- When children first start attending the club, staff explain how they will support another child to be their 'buddy', who they can interact with. Furthermore, staff understand the importance of finding out children's likes, dislikes and what they like to eat so they can provide these for children.
- The provider explains how staff intend to help children understand how they can keep themselves safe. This includes practising fire drills with children and talking to them about stranger danger. Furthermore, staff plan to help children understand the boundaries when they take them to the park, such as to go immediately to staff when they blow a whistle.
- The provider and staff confidently talk about how they plan to complement the experiences children receive during their day at school. They intend to get information about topics that children discuss in school and explain how they will provide activities for children to build on their knowledge further.
- The provider demonstrates how it supports staff's practice and well-being. For example, the provider speaks to staff about their roles and invites them to attend staff meetings. The provider works alongside staff and offers them opportunities to develop their knowledge of how to care and promote the safety of children.
- The provider explains how staff intend to provide children with a range of nutritious meals and drinks. This includes providing children with breakfast and an evening meal. If children show an interest in certain foods in the club, the provider explains how staff will speak to parents so they can offer children the same foods at home.
- If children with special educational needs and/or disabilities attend the club, the provider explains how staff will liaise with other professionals and school teachers to find out as much information as possible about the child. The provider explains how this will help staff provide a tailored approach to their care and safety.
- Staff intend to talk to parents when they collect their children to help them understand about their child's time in the club, such as activities they enjoy and what they eat.
- Staff understand how to support children to understand the expectations for their behaviour. This includes discussing with children about using 'kind hands' and words. Older school-age children in the club explain to visitors that to show kindness, they could help people when they fall over and include everyone in their games.

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	2721074
Local authority	Leicestershire
Inspection number	10388519
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	20
Number of children on roll	21
Name of registered person	Carroll, Gemma
Registered person unique reference number	2532765
Telephone number	07752338410
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

Gems Hub registered in 2023. It is situated in the grounds of Thurlaston CofE Primary School, Thurlaston, Leicester and is run independently from the school. The club opens from Monday to Friday, during term time. Sessions are from 7am until 8.45am and from 3.20pm until 6pm. The club employs four members of staff. All hold level 3 childcare qualifications.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Hayley Ruane

Inspection activities

- The inspector and provider had a tour of the areas of the premises used by children and discussed the equipment and toys available.
- The inspector discussed the policies and procedures with the provider and viewed documentation that staff will use when caring for children.
- The inspector discussed the safeguarding and welfare requirements with the provider and the suitability of staff working at the club.
- The inspector spoke to staff and older school-age children during the inspection.

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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