



Dear Parents

Good in ALL areas -Ofsted 2018

We are delighted to share our recent (and 1st!) Ofsted report with you all, below I have bullet pointed the main findings and areas they have suggested for improvements. However, the full report can be viewed in more detail at <https://files.api.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50038028> or ask Tracey for the paper copy in club.

Summary of findings- What we do well-

Safety-

- Children learn about their safety in the club and how to use equipment safely
- Staff are vigilant with regard to safety and potential risks are identified and minimised.

Partnerships-

- Partnerships with parents are effective.
- Staff take time to talk to parents at the end of the session and share important messages from the class teacher.
- Parents are happy with the service offered by the club. They express how staff are wonderful and how their children enjoy the play activities offered to them.

Children-

- Children of all ages are confident and have good self-esteem.
- They quickly settle in at the club and develop warm and affectionate relationships with staff.
- Their good behaviour shows they are happy and feel emotionally secure.
- Children eagerly take part in creative activities. They make pictures using various resources and express their creativity as they use materials to compile their own special books.
- They take great pride in their achievements and enjoy sharing these with visitors, staff and their friends.

Areas for improvements-

- Give less-confident children more encouragement to help them join in activities with other children, and consider ways to further support children to make friends
- Make best use of the environment to encourage children's curiosity and imagination.

Positives in main report

“...arrangement for safeguarding are effective”

“...values the views of parents, children and staff”

“...good levels of support for children”

“Staff know children well...”

“Children's interests and learning needs are consistently taken into consideration....”

“Children are motivated and enjoy the activities and experiences on offer.....”

“.....helping them to think for themselves and explore their own ideas”

“Staff work well with parents....”

“Staff's warm, welcoming and friendly manner...”

“Caring staff find out children's interests from parents....”

“.....listen attentively to children and praise them as they share well, make up games and play together...”

“.....children are at ease and happy...”

I would like to thank my **amazing** team, **wonderful** parents/families and of course **fantastic** group of children!

Best wishes *Tracey Brown*

Little Apples Afterschool club