



## **Kidsactive**

Inspection report for early years provision

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<b>Type of care</b>	Out of School care

## ABOUT THIS INSPECTION

The purpose of this inspection is to assure government, parents and the public of the quality of childcare and, if applicable, of nursery education. The inspection was carried out under Part XA Children Act 1989 as introduced by the Care Standards Act 2000 and, where nursery education is provided, under Schedule 26 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.

This report details the main strengths and any areas for improvement identified during the inspection. The judgements included in the report are made in relation to the outcomes for children set out in the Children Act 2004; the National Standards for under 8s day care and childminding; and, where nursery education is provided, the *Curriculum guidance for the foundation stage*.

The report includes information on any complaints about the childcare provision which Ofsted has received since the last inspection or registration or 1 April 2004 whichever is the later.

### The key inspection judgements and what they mean

*Outstanding: this aspect of the provision is of exceptionally high quality*

*Good: this aspect of the provision is strong*

*Satisfactory: this aspect of the provision is sound*

*Inadequate: this aspect of the provision is not good enough*

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## THE QUALITY AND STANDARDS OF THE CARE

On the basis of the evidence collected on this inspection:

The quality and standards of the care are good. The registered person meets the National Standards for under 8s day care and childminding.

### WHAT SORT OF SETTING IS IT?

Kids Adventure Play Hackney (KAPH) is an Adventure Playground. It provides an inclusive play environment specifically designed for children and young people with disabilities aged from 5 - 19 years old. The Playground is just below Springfield Park in the Upper Clapton area of Hackney, and is on the edge of the Lea Valley nature reserve.

The provision offers School sessions, After-School club, Youth club, Saturday Club and a Holiday Playscheme. The provision is to be registered for 45 children aged from 5-8yrs, all year round.

The hours of opening are:

After-school Tue-Fri 15:30-18:00;

Saturday term-time 10.30am - 16:00;

Holiday playscheme Monday - Friday:10.30am - 16:00;

## **THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROVISION**

### **Helping children to be healthy**

The provision is good.

Children receive a range of healthy snacks including fruit and sandwiches encouraging them to develop healthy eating practice, they receive plenty of drinks, especially in the warm weather. Staff have good knowledge of the dietary needs of the children and therefore plan snacks to cater for their differing dietary needs.

Children benefit from the effective procedures in place to further promote children's health. All staff hold a current first aid certificate. This means that they can give appropriate care if there is an accident. Parents give prior written consent to administer medication, that ensures children receive the correct dosage according to their needs.

The environment is clean and tidy and the children receive good support to develop good personal hygiene. Children benefit from the staff's knowledge and understanding of good hygiene practice, precautions such as aprons and gloves when attending to children personal care helps prevent the risk of cross infection.

Children regularly enjoy a range of activities that contribute to their health and develop their physical skills. The well organised outdoor area provides children with a variety of opportunities. for example, climbing, throwing and balancing.

### **Protecting children from harm or neglect and helping them stay safe**

The provision is outstanding.

Children benefit from playing in a spacious well organised environment. This allows them to move around and play safely. Effective health and safety policies and procedures ensures staff are aware of safety issues both indoors and outdoors. Staff carry out regular risk assessments on the premises and equipment to minimise risk and ensure children's safety. Children benefit from the effective system in place for the safe arrival and departure of children, which ensures children are only left in the care of known and approved adults.

Children use a wide range of good quality toys and resources that are stimulating and appropriate for their ages and stages of development.

Children's safety is further enhanced by the staff's sound knowledge and

understanding of child protection issues. This will ensure staff quickly recognise when a child is in danger and can act in the child's best interest.

### **Helping children achieve well and enjoy what they do**

The provision is good.

Children have access to a varied range of activities which are set out, promoting children's interest and encouraging exploration. Children are provided with outdoor play facilities to develop their physical skills and to gain practical knowledge and experience about living things and staff support and encourage children to make full use of the provision, they offer a varied and child focussed routine and assist children well in developing self-help skills and independence.

Children enjoy and learn from a range of activities this allow them to explore and investigate for example, the nature park provides them with the opportunity to explore different textures and the concept of growing. Staff make good use of space and all staff work directly with the children at all times, this enables children to build a good relationships with their cares. Staff know the children well and are aware of their individual needs, this enables them to provide the required support and create an environment that focuses on the individual needs of the child as well as providing sufficient challenges.

### **Helping children make a positive contribution**

The provision is good.

Staff are consistent in their approach to behaviour management and use appropriate strategies. This helps children learn right from wrong. Children are encouraged to behave well and praise and encouragement are given by staff to promote good behaviour.

The provision for children and adults with physical disabilities is good. There is easy wheelchair access that allows free movement within the centre. Staff offer good support for children with special needs. Staff are secure in their understanding of the code of practice, which means they are able to meet and plan for children's individual needs.

Staff are good role models helping children learn the importance of showing respect for all, however children's learning about diversity is not fully maximise due to limited anti bias equipment.

The partnership with parents is good. Parents provide relevant information about their children to the staff. This helps to ensure children receive individual care and attention. Staff create a warm and welcoming environment, where both children and parents are welcomed on arrival, this enables children to feel secure in the setting.

## Organisation

The organisation is outstanding.

Children benefit from a well organised environment where they receive good adult support to help them feel secure and confident. Staff deployment is effective and ensures children are supervised at all times. Staff have a good relationship with the children and know them well, this ensures consistency of care.

The policies and procedures are comprehensive and well organised. These are available for staff and parents to ensure they are aware of the groups philosophy and operational procedures. Overall the provision meets the needs of the children who attend.

## Improvements since the last inspection

Not applicable.

## Complaints since the last inspection

There are no complaints to report.

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## WHAT MUST BE DONE TO SECURE FUTURE IMPROVEMENT?

### The quality and standards of the care

To improve the quality and standards of care further the registered person should take account of the following recommendation(s):

- Ensure children that children have an appropriate range of activities and resources that promote equality of opportunity and anti-discriminatory practice.

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