

# Marshgate After School Club

Inspection report for early years provision

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#### Introduction

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Children only attend this setting before and/or after the school day and/or during the school holidays. The judgements in this report reflect the quality of early years provision offered to children during those periods.

The setting also makes provision for children older than the early years age group which is registered on the voluntary and/or compulsory part(s) of the Childcare Register. This report does not include an evaluation of that provision, but a comment about compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register is included in Annex B.

There were no children on roll 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 children on roll, 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 if the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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#### **Description of the setting**

Marshgate After School Club registered in 2007. It operates from Marshgate Primary School, in the London Borough of Richmond. The club is located in one large room in the school and has access to other areas in the school premises. All children share access to a secure enclosed outdoor play area.

The club is registered on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. The club is registered to care for a maximum of 24 children from four years to under eight years, of these, not more than 24 may be in the early years age group. Children in this age range only attend during the summer holiday play scheme, which operates for three weeks in the summer holiday. The club caters for children aged over eight years to 11 years. The club operates Monday to Friday from 3.25pm to 6pm during school term times. During the summer holiday, the play scheme operates from 8.30 am to 4.30pm.

The club supports children with special educational needs and/or disabilities and those who speak English as an additional language. The club employs three members of staff who all hold appropriate early years qualifications. There were no children in the early years age group on roll at the time of the inspection.

### The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The manager demonstrates sound understanding of how to promote children's health and welfare. Through discussion, she demonstrates knowledge of safeguarding procedures. She is aware of her role and responsibilities and of whom to contact if she has any concerns. The club is nearing the end of a building refurbishment, which is due for completion in June 2012. Despite many resources, furniture and equipment being in storage the club is a safe and organised environment for children. The manager is very knowledgeable about the documentation that is needed to meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage framework and confirms that this is all in place. However, due to the building works, several required documents are in storage and unavailable for inspection by Ofsted. These include the certificate of registration, public liability insurance and evidence of staff's first aid qualifications. In addition, records of risk assessments and a safeguarding policy were unavailable for inspection. This is a breach of a legal requirement.

The manager demonstrates a good understanding of the learning and development requirements. All staff are aware of the importance of planning suitable activities for children and sharing developmental information with their parents and other providers. There is plenty of space for children to play in and the club has a good range of resources, many of which are in storage.

Through discussion, the manager demonstrates a positive attitude to meeting

children's individual needs. A varied selection of resources and play materials are available that positively reflect equality and diversity. The manager has plans to bring about further improvements to the club and positive outcomes for all children through a robust self-evaluation process. As a result, the club demonstrates a suitable capacity to improve.

#### **Compliance with registration requirements**

In order to continue to meet the requirements of registration, the registered person must take the following action by the specified date:

• ensure that records are easily accessible and available for inspection by Ofsted (Documentation).

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## **Annex B: the Childcare Register**

The provider confirms that the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are:

Met

The provider confirms that the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are:

Met