

Ilys Booker Under Fives Centre

Inspection report for early years provision

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Introduction

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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

Ilys Booker Centre was registered in 1993. It is located in a housing estate in North Kensington and operates from two playrooms on the ground floor and one on the first floor. All children share access to a secure enclosed outdoor play area. The centre is registered on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. A maximum of 24 children aged under eight years may attend the centre at any one time; of these, 18 may be in the early years age range. The centre is currently only operating as a drop in group for families so there are no children on roll. The centre is open each weekday from 8am to 6pm for 50 weeks of the year. The centre employs three staff who all hold appropriate early years qualifications.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The centre meets the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage Framework. There are suitable policies and procedures in place to promote children's welfare. Staff are able to demonstrate an understanding of safeguarding children. They have attended training and know what to do if they have a concern. Risk assessments are in place to maintain a safe environment and staff are first aid trained. Management follow suitable recruitment and vetting procedures to help ensure that staff are suitable to work with children.

The centre is welcoming and inclusive. There is a good range of resources and activities to support children's all round learning and development. Staff understand child development and the learning requirements. They can describe suitable ways to observe and track children's progress, demonstrating a good understanding of supporting children's individual needs. They currently plan a wide range of fun activities for the children who visit the centre with their parents.

The centre has already established a number of partnerships with other agencies through currently operating as a drop in centre for families. These include links with a speech therapist and a trust specialising in gardening activities. Management describe suitable systems to promote positive relationships with parents to support inclusive practice and children's individuality.

Management and staff meet regularly to reflect on their provision and engage in regular training to keep up to date with the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. They have recently identified areas for development and demonstrate a good capacity to maintain continuous improvements.

Compliance with registration requirements

The registered person continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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