

Barracudas (Streatham)

Streatham And Clapham High School, 42 Abbotswood Road, London, SW16 1AW



Inspection date	2 August 2017
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Outstanding	1
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Outstanding	1
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Outstanding	1
Outcomes for children		Not applicable	

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is outstanding

- Children are provided with an outstanding range of exciting activities to choose from overall. Staff motivate children extremely well and expertly organise well-planned activities that are extremely interesting and challenging. For example, children enjoy the drama class and quickly take on the roles of their favourite 'pop stars'.
- The quality of practice is consistently of a high standard across the staff team. Highly qualified staff demonstrate an excellent understanding of how children learn, which motivates and excites children.
- Staff are very successful at supporting children to recognise and understand diversity. Children enjoy a wide range of activities that helps them to respect different cultures and the lifestyles of others.
- The camp manager and staff ensure children are incredibly well supervised at all times. Staff are deployed effectively and the camp leaders maintain an excellent overview of the provision throughout the day.
- Systems for self-evaluation are highly effective. The management team is enthusiastically committed to improving the quality of the club. Children and parents are regularly invited to share their views and provide feedback to support the self-evaluation process. Partnerships with parents and other professionals are highly successful in sharing information about the children.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

To further improve the quality of the early years provision the provider should:

- consider developing the already excellent activities on offer, so that they continue to be highly innovative and exciting for all the children.

Inspection activities

- The inspector carried out a joint observation with the early years manager.
- The inspector observed children's activities and spoke with the staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector held discussions with the management team at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector looked at documentation, including confirmation of the suitability of staff, policies and procedures, and evidence of reflective practice.
- The inspector spoke to some parents and took account of their views.

Inspector

Cher Walker-Moore

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Robust recruitment processes ensure all staff are suitable and qualified to work with children and fully understand their responsibilities. All staff working with children participate in rigorous induction processes. They undertake compulsory training and have opportunities to learn about various other subjects that interest them. This successfully helps them to build on their skills and learn new techniques. Safeguarding is effective. Children's safety and well-being are given the highest priority. Staff demonstrate an extensive knowledge about safeguarding practices and procedures. They carry out robust risk assessments on all areas of the club and sporting activities. This enables children to participate in activities safely. Leaders are highly inspirational and motivate the staff team. They monitor staff closely and any development points are quickly recognised and tackled through further support and targeted training. The management team continually strives to find new ways to enhance the outstanding practice of the staff.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Children thrive in this exciting holiday club. Staff use their excellent knowledge of how children learn extremely well. They listen carefully and ask meaningful questions. They offer ideas and suggestions to further develop the children's thinking and decision-making skills and immerse themselves in the children's play. As a result, children concentrate well and deeply engage in their chosen activities. Children develop excellent physical skills through high-quality activities that extend their abilities. For example, children develop coordination and balance as they enjoy fencing with foam swords. Children have excellent opportunities to develop their own initiatives or engage in team play. Staff decorated the indoor environment with attractive and colourful displays of children's artwork, as part of promoting children's confidence and self-esteem.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Staff provide children with highly effective opportunities to build their confidence and independence. For example, children choose what activities they would like to participate in and enjoy showing the group the new skills they have just learned. Staff use outstanding behaviour strategies, which help all children to behave well, listen and follow instructions impeccably. Staff have very high expectations of the children. Their exemplary role modelling teaches children to respect each other, manage their own behaviour and talk to each other to solve problems. Staff are extremely nurturing and offer a warm and welcoming environment. They are immensely successful in helping children to settle in, form friendships and develop a strong sense of security. Children develop an awareness of how to keep themselves safe. They walk safely around the site and learn how to use the space and resources in a safe way.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY487913
Local authority	Lambeth
Inspection number	1008874
Type of provision	Out of school provision
Day care type	Childcare - Non-Domestic
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	4 - 8
Total number of places	164
Number of children on roll	362
Name of registered person	Young World Leisure Group Limited
Registered person unique reference number	RP900856
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	0845 123 5299

Barracudas (Streatham) registered in 2015. It is one of many activity camps run by Young World Leisure Group Limited. It is based in the London Borough of Lambeth. The camp opens Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm during the Easter holidays and for four weeks in the summer holidays. This camp employs 25 members of staff. Of these, eight hold qualified teacher status and three hold early years professional status.

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