

Grass Roots Play South Harringay

South Harringay Junior School, Mattison Road, London, N4 1BD



Inspection date

10 November 2017

Previous inspection date

Not applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This inspection:

Good

2

Previous inspection:

Not applicable

Effectiveness of the leadership and management

Good

2

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment

Good

2

Personal development, behaviour and welfare

Good

2

Outcomes for children

Not applicable

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- The manager has a high regard for the safety and security of children. She follows well-thought-out strategies at the club. For example, she deploys her staff effectively to help keep children safe.
- Staff use a range of effective strategies to help children identify, explore and manage their feelings and behaviours. Children behave well.
- Staff have developed good relationships with parents. They keep them well informed about their child's well-being. Parents praise the friendly, enjoyable provision and express how much their children enjoy attending.
- Staff are warm and enthusiastic. They form positive relationships with children, providing good levels of care and attention. This has a positive impact on children's emotional well-being. Children have fun and enjoy their time at the after-school club.
- The manager and staff have developed good relationships with the school. They work well with the teaching staff to provide a consistent approach that supports and complements children's learning.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- At times, staff do not organise planned group activities effectively to involve the younger children and they lose interest.
- Sometimes, staff miss opportunities to encourage children of different ages to interact and include others in their play.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- enhance the organisation of planned group activities to include and interest all children
- develop staff awareness of how they can encourage children of different ages to interact and include others in their play.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities and the quality of staff interactions.
- The inspector sampled a range of documentation, including policies and procedures, safeguarding and induction procedures.
- The inspector took account of parents' views through discussions.
- The inspector spoke to the manager, staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The inspector discussed the after-school club's self-evaluation and the improvements that it has made.

Inspector

Laxmi Patel

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The manager ensures all staff have a firm knowledge and understanding of safeguarding issues and the procedures to follow when reporting concerns. The manager uses robust recruitment and vetting procedures to ensure suitable adults care for children. She provides staff with regular training and updates them on any changes to procedures. The manager supports staff well. For example, she monitors their practice and they have regular meetings and supervisory sessions for support and guidance, to improve their practice. The manager and staff evaluate practice well and make continuous improvements. Parents value the safety and security of the premises and the good promotion of children's welfare and emotional well-being.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Key persons monitor each child and identify any areas they require additional support. Children make independent choices about what and where they would like to play and talk to the staff about their interests. Staff provide an environment where children can relax or choose to take part in activities. For example, the staff plan the rooms well to provide children with comfortable spaces to sit and enjoy books or play more energetically with their friends. Children express themselves well during creative activities and thoroughly enjoy making up stories. They take pride in their achievements. Children enjoy manipulating dough and use a range of tools to make models. Older children skilfully operate computer programs and younger children discuss health using mathematical concepts, such as weight and quantity, as they measure the salt, sugar and fat content in various food products. Children are fascinated and compare the amounts each snack contains. Children have positive attitudes and enjoy playing and learning together.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children are confident and show high levels of self-esteem. Staff gather information from parents about children's dietary and medical needs before they start at the club, so that they know children's individual requirements. Children settle quickly and develop their social skills well. They interact and engage in friendly conversations with their peers and staff. Staff promote children's health and physical development very effectively. Children move safely between the indoor and outdoor play spaces, which they thoroughly enjoy. They run freely, climb and play team games and ball games. Children have opportunities to learn about people and communities beyond their immediate experiences and resources used in the club reflect diversity. Staff model good manners, enabling children to copy these and to treat others with respect.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY499239
Local authority	Haringey
Inspection number	1117092
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	3 - 8
Total number of places	55
Number of children on roll	89
Name of registered person	Grass Roots Play Partnership
Registered person unique reference number	RP901144
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	07769 536416

Grass Roots Play South Harringay registered in 2016. The after-school club is located in South Harringay Junior School, in Harringay. The club is open on Monday to Friday from 3.30pm until 6pm, during term time only. There are six members of staff, three of whom hold early years qualifications.

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