

The Young Explorers Club - Breakfast, After School And Holiday Club

45 Burnt Ash Hill, London, SE12 0AE



Inspection date

9 January 2018

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

- Management and staff develop good partnerships with parents and teachers of the school children attend. They share information daily with parents and receive valuable support and advice to help provide consistency in the way they care for children.
- Staff treat children with kindness and respect and consistently manage their behaviour well. Children are happy and enjoy their time at the club.
- Staff plan a wide range of activities that complements children's interests well and supports their continued enjoyment in a relaxing and welcoming environment.
- Staff supervise children very well to help ensure they are safe, feel secure and are cared for effectively.
- The provider's arrangements for monitoring staff practice are effective. Staff have opportunities to improve their personal effectiveness and the quality of children's experiences.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- Staff do not consistently recognise when to encourage quieter children to express their thoughts and encourage their social interaction more.
- Occasionally, staff missed opportunities to provide children with a wide choice of resources to extend their enjoyment in activities even further.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- make greater use of opportunities to encourage quieter children to be more involved in activities
- review the organisation of some experiences to extend children's enjoyment further.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities indoors and staff interaction with children, and completed a joint observation with the provider.
- The inspector spoke to the staff and children at appropriate times during the inspection and as children left.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation, such as the self-evaluation, policies and procedures, as well as evidence for the suitability of staff.
- The inspector spoke to a small number of parents and took account of their views.
- The inspector had a tour of the areas of the club with the provider and discussed children's safety.

Inspector

Marvet Gayle

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Management supports the team well, for example, through meetings and daily discussions, to help support the quality of enjoyable experiences offered to children. Staff have good opportunities to undertake further training relevant to their job role. For example, child protection and paediatric first-aid training help to support children's safety and well-being. Management uses self-evaluation well to reflect on daily practice, and identify current strengths and areas for future development. Staff are qualified, experienced and deployed effectively in the club. Safeguarding is effective. Clear safeguarding policies and procedures help staff know the steps to follow if they have concerns about a child's welfare. They have completed training to help them identify children who may be at risk of harm from extreme behaviours and views. There are thorough recruitment and vetting procedures to help ensure staff suitability to work with children. Parents comment positively on the helpfulness, flexibility and thoughtfulness of staff and how they ensure children have fun at the club. They say children enjoy being at the club.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff provide a variety of suitable experiences for children to enjoy. They support them to share and take turns. Staff understand the importance to provide children with opportunities to play and relax after school. For example, they provide opportunities for children to join in writing activities and talk about their experiences with each other. Staff ask many questions, listen to children and give them time to speak as they happily chat about their day at school. Staff provide interesting opportunities for children to take part in physical games and encourage them to be active. For example, staff play a range of ball games with children. They provide good opportunities for children to have fun.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Staff provide a warm, welcoming and exciting environment where children settle quickly, are relaxed and have fun. They provide many activities children participate in happily. Staff help children to feel they are part of the club and give them choices. For example, they ask children what resources they would like to have out on a daily basis. This helps to promote their emotional well-being. Staff actively encourage children to keep safe. For example, they support children to understand how to use the road safely as they walk from school to the club. Staff are approachable and help children feel assured. Younger children enjoy taking on the responsibility of certain roles in the club. For example, they take the role of snack-time monitor and help others. Staff support children to lead a healthy lifestyle and learn about making nutritious food choices. They help children learn about people's similarities and differences, and explore a good selection of multicultural experiences. Staff help children develop a good understanding of culture and diversity.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY547427
Local authority	Lewisham
Inspection number	1108981
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	25
Number of children on roll	19
Name of registered person	Partnership Of Anne Abraham And Annamaria Palermo for The Young Explorers Club
Registered person unique reference number	RP534904
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable
Telephone number	07511915238

The Young Explorers Breakfast, After School and Holiday Club registered in 2017. The club is based in Hither Green, in the London Borough of Lewisham. The club's opening hours are Monday to Friday, from 7am to 8.30am for the breakfast club and from 3pm to 6pm for the after-school club during term time, and from 7am to 6pm for the holiday camp during school holidays. The majority of staff hold a qualification in early years at level 2 or above. The provider has a level 4 qualification.

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