

The Fun Club

Mortlake Hall, Mullins Path, North Worple Way, Mortlake, London, SW14 8EZ



Inspection date	19 July 2018
Previous inspection date	19 March 2018

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Inadequate	4
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

- Since the last inspection, the manager has made good progress, which has had a positive impact on practice. For example, she follows a more secure recruitment process to help check the initial and ongoing suitability of staff to safeguard children.
- The manager provides younger children with a key person to support their play and emotional well-being. Young children express their enjoyment of attending the club.
- Staff form close partnerships with parents, who are highly complimentary of the staff and the experiences their children have at the club. They find that there is a wide variety of activities on offer and are reassured that staff keep their children safe.
- Staff have effective partnerships with the teachers at the school children attend. For example, they share information about children's interests and seek their views to help complement children's learning.
- Children are engaged and motivated to take part in activities. They enjoy playing with toy bricks and participate in group games enthusiastically, such as table tennis and football.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- At times, staff are too quick to intervene and manage age-appropriate risks for the children, instead of allowing them to find their own solutions.
- Although staff support children's physical development, they have not fully considered the preferences of children who prefer to spend most of their time outdoors.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- enable children to have even more opportunities to manage age-appropriate risks and to find solutions for themselves
- extend opportunities for those children who prefer to play outdoors.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the club and discussed with the manager how it operates.
- The inspector observed the children playing indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector carried out a joint observation with the manager and discussed how she works with staff to improve their practice.
- The inspector sampled documentation, including policies, children's records and staff suitability checks.
- The inspector spoke with staff, parents and children at appropriate times during the inspection.

Inspector

Marisol Hernandez-Garn

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The manager shows a good commitment to significantly improve the experiences children have at the club. For example, she has worked closely with the local authority to address the weaknesses identified at the last inspection. Safeguarding is effective. Staff have completed relevant training to improve their understanding of how to identify signs that a child is being exposed to extreme views and the requirements relating to disqualification by association. Staff are more confident in reporting any concerns about a child to protect their welfare. The manager takes account of any feedback she receives, including from parents and children, to help her evaluate the provision effectively. Staff receive good levels of support and training opportunities that are provided by the manager. For example, they have completed relevant first-aid training that enable them to respond to accidents and incidents promptly.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Staff know how to help children spend their time purposefully at the club. They carefully observe what children enjoy and can do to help them plan a wide range of activities. For example, during a planned activity, staff encourage children to follow their own ideas and create the models they want as they experiment with wool strings. Children persevere and show good levels of concentration. Younger and older children play cooperatively, for example, during role play. They enjoy sharing their thoughts and ideas, which helps to support their imagination and creativity. Children equally enjoy drawing and writing for a purpose using different tools. They receive meaningful praise and encouragement from staff for their efforts, which aids their self-esteem and confidence.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

All children are very settled and form strong bonds with the staff, who are very kind and caring. Younger and older children are friendly and socially confident. For example, they engage adults in conversations and are very keen to show what they know and can do. Children are active and independent. For instance, they help adults to tidy away the toys that they have used, and manage their own personal needs well. Staff are good role models. For example, they talk to children in a calm and respectful manner. Children behave well and learn about expected boundaries and expectations. They sit together at teatime and enjoy each other's company and engage in social conversations. Staff plan interesting outings to help raise children's understanding of their surroundings. Overall, staff work successfully together to provide children with good play experiences. They are vigilant in their supervision of the children and are attentive, which helps children to feel safe and secure.

Setting details

Unique reference number	509713
Local authority	Richmond upon Thames
Inspection number	1133904
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	5 - 5
Total number of places	50
Number of children on roll	8
Name of registered person	ASC(R) The Fun Club Committee
Registered person unique reference number	RP519244
Date of previous inspection	19 March 2018
Telephone number	02088763556

The Fun Club registered in 1993 and is open each weekday from 2pm until 6pm during term time, and sometimes from 8am until 6pm in the school holidays. There are four members of staff, three of whom hold appropriate early years qualifications at level 3.

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