

Inspection of The Club (Frimley Ltd) & The Holiday Club (Frimley Ltd)

Grove Primary School, Chobham Road, Frimley, CAMBERLEY, Surrey GU16 8PG

Inspection date:

15 March 2022

**The quality and
standards of early
years provision**

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Good

What is it like to attend this early years setting?

This provision meets requirements

All children, including the youngest, arrive at the club happy and settle quickly. Children show that they feel safe and are fully aware of the routines. They are now able to engage with each other and enjoy mixing with different year groups. Children welcome this change, following previous stricter restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic when they had to stay in year groups to help reduce the risk of infection.

Children eagerly talk with staff and their friends about their school day. Children are proud of their achievements. They confidently tell the inspector how they are using the small beads to create a model. Children clearly know that an adult will need to help finish the model by using a hot iron to bond the beads together. They understand that it is not safe for them to do this for themselves.

Staff know the children well and have high expectations. Activities follow children's current interests and this helps to build on the knowledge they gain from school. All children are valued as individuals, and they show good levels of positive self-esteem. Children's behaviour is exceptional. They fully understand about taking turns and being kind to one another. For instance, children negotiate between themselves over whose turn will be next.

What does the early years setting do well and what does it need to do better?

- Staff follow effective procedures to promote the smooth organisation of this busy club. For example, robust procedures ensure children are safe at drop off and collection times. The manager deploys staff well. Staff use walkie talkies to stay connected with one another and to pass on any messages promptly. Staff all show a keen interest in what the children are doing. Their interactions are of high quality, they provide a club that children have fun at while relaxing after the school day.
- Children enjoy a wide range of healthy foods. Staff talk to children about the benefits of following a healthy diet and of the importance of good oral health. There is always fresh fruit available. Children can access water throughout their time at the club. Each day, staff organise outdoor activities, so that children get plenty of fresh air. Such as a treasure hunt to find dinosaurs hidden in the wildlife garden. Children happily search under logs, branches and leaves until they find all the dinosaurs.
- Younger children benefit from using the sensory room which provides a tranquil and quiet space away from the main play area. They use torches and fibre optic lights to reflect images while inside the blackout tent. Staff talk to the children who articulate what they know through their games and interactions.

- Staff use the space well. The club has use of the school halls and various classroom areas. Children can self-select play equipment and resources, which are varied and plentiful. For instance, children help themselves to a ball and organise a game of football in the outside area. Children comment that they enjoy the games they play together, particularly football. Other children select a hairdressing doll and create hairstyles, which they describe to one another.
- Staff at the club form secure and effective partnerships with the teaching staff in the host school. There is a good exchange of information to help complement and build on children's prior learning. This also helps to support the continuity of children's well-being.
- Parents are very happy with the care their children receive. They say that staff share and exchange information with them effectively. Parents comment that staff are friendly, approachable and knowledgeable and that their children are happy at the club. Parents explain that children often find excuses to stay at the club, so that they can continue their play and do not want to go home.
- Staff receive regular support and opportunities to complete training to enhance their practice. They work extremely well together and say that the manager values their work and they know that their commitment and contribution to working with the children at the club are valued.

Safeguarding

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.

Staff demonstrate a good understanding of their responsibilities to protect children from harm. They regularly talk to children to help them to develop an awareness of how to keep themselves safe. This is demonstrated by children knowing how to use play apparatus safely. All staff know the procedures to follow if they are concerned about a child. They know what to do if they suspect an adult working with children is causing harm to them. Staff attend regular training and are alert to the signs of abuse, neglect and the wider issues of safeguarding.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY452000
Local authority	Surrey
Inspection number	10228084
Type of provision	Childcare on non-domestic premises
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register
Day care type	Out-of-school day care
Age range of children at time of inspection	4 to 10
Total number of places	50
Number of children on roll	141
Name of registered person	The Club (Frimley) Limited
Registered person unique reference number	RP908122
Telephone number	07800824148
Date of previous inspection	16 December 2016

Information about this early years setting

The Club (Frimley Ltd) & The Holiday Club (Frimley Ltd) registered in 2012. It operates from Grove Primary School, Frimley, Surrey. The breakfast and after-school club is open Monday to Friday during term time between the hours of 7.30am to 8.45am and 3.10pm to 5.45pm. A holiday playscheme operates during some school holidays from 8am to 5pm. The club employs eight staff, six of whom hold appropriate qualifications at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Hazel Farrant

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the setting received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The inspector had a tour of the premises with the manager and discussed how the club operates and how the play environment is organised.
- Discussions were held throughout the inspection with the manager, staff and children.
- The views of the parents were taken into consideration by engaging in discussions with a number of parents.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of staff working in the club.

We carried out this inspection under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the early years foundation stage.

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