

Inspection of All My Friends Heron After School Club

Heron Primary School, Heron Way, Abbeydale, Gloucester, Gloucestershire GL4 4BN

Inspection date:

12 September 2022

The quality and standards of early years provision	This inspection	Met
	Previous inspection	Not applicable



Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The manager and staff understand the importance of helping children to learn about the importance of a healthy lifestyle. They ensure that children have regular opportunities for fresh air and team games, such as football and basketball. Staff know to promote good hygiene and to offer children a range of nutritious snacks. Staff understand the importance of recording and sharing information from parents about children's dietary needs and allergies.
- Staff understand the need to role model positive behaviour and to remind children of the expectations of the club. Staff know to talk to children to try and understand the cause of children's behaviour and help them express their feelings and emotions. Staff understand the importance of supporting children with special educational needs and/or disabilities in the club. They explain how they liaise closely with parents and the school staff to meet children's individual needs.
- The manager and staff are very confident in their knowledge of safeguarding and child protection issues. Staff know who to report any concerns about children's welfare to and the procedure to follow if an allegation is made against a member of staff.
- Staff understand the need to provide activities that the children enjoy and are interested in. Staff explain how they encourage children to contribute their ideas for activities and that they cater for these. They know that some children just want to 'unwind' after their day at school, and they make sure children can do this if they prefer.
- Staff report that they feel supported in the club and have regular opportunities to discuss their practice and well-being with the manager. They attend mandatory training and other courses to enhance their practice. Following training, staff have gained further ideas about activities that are more suited to the older children and interest them.
- Staff understand the importance of developing positive relationships with parents to help them get to know the children's needs and interests. They know that parents enjoy coming into the club to pick up their children, following the restrictions of the COVID-19 pandemic, so that they can see what their children are doing and who they are playing with. Staff also explain how they share information from school to parents, so they are kept well informed about their child's day.

There were no children in the early years age range present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no early years children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.



Setting details	
Unique reference number	2539943
Local authority	Gloucestershire
Inspection number	10208662
Type of provision	Childcare on non-domestic premises
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Out-of-school day care
Age range of children at time of	E 1 4 4
inspection	5 to 11
	40
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inspection Total number of places	40
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Information about this early years setting

All My Friends Heron After School Club operates from Heron primary school in Abbeydale, Gloucestershire. It operates from Monday to Friday, 3pm to 6pm, during term time only. Two members of staff work at the club and both, including the duty manager, have a qualification at level 3. They are supported by a manager who oversees all of the company's after-school and holiday clubs and is qualified at level 5.

Information about this inspection

Inspector Charlotte Jenkin



Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the provider received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the manager and has taken this into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The inspector viewed the provision with the manager and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises.
- Staff spoke to the inspector at appropriate times during the inspection.
- The manager made available some key documentation for the inspector to view, including suitability checks for staff and training and qualification certificates.

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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