

Inspection of Highbury Roundhouse After School Club

71 Ronalds Road, London N5 1XB

Inspection date:

16 February 2023

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Outstanding

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The manager recognises the value of working closely in partnership with parents to help ensure consistency in children's care and learning. She explains staff will foster relationships and support parents to feel valued. For instance, the building has space for parents to study while their children are attending the after-school club.
- The manager understands the importance of making links with the schools the children attend. She explains how the provision works to support children with additional needs and with the local authority and parents to ensure children are able to access the provision and additional services if needed.
- The manager discusses how she has recruited staff following safer recruitment procedures. She describes how training is available for all staff to access online and in person. She explains staff are supported to develop their skills and to undertake additional training, leading to qualifications in childcare. She discusses how the staff receive regular supervision meetings to support their well-being.
- The manager understands the importance of training the staff to recognise safeguarding concerns. She describes how she presents staff with scenarios and case studies to ensure they are confident to identify the signs which may indicate a child is at risk of harm and how to follow the correct procedures and report any concerns or allegations to the relevant authorities. She discusses how staff meetings and in-house and external training will cover safeguarding to ensure staff are aware of their roles and responsibilities.
- The manager explains how staff will promote healthy lifestyles and care practices. She discusses how staff know how to support children to learn to manage their personal care needs and to provide regular opportunities for children to gain fresh air and be active. For instance, children will have opportunities to play outdoors or take part in dance and karate sessions.
- The manager understands the importance of teaching children to learn to manage their feelings, and to build strong relationships with them, so they develop positive attitudes to learning and feel safe and secure. She explains that the setting has 'Golden rules' which will support children to learn to share, take turns and be kind to their friends. She explains a key person is allocated to the youngest children to ensure they form strong links with an adult as soon as they start.
- The manager discusses how the staff will offer a wide range of resources and plan exciting activities based on children's interests. They will complement the early years foundation stage for younger children who attend the club to support their ongoing school readiness.

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	EY244389
Local authority	Islington
Inspection number	10112714
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 inspection	0 to 0
Total number of places	100
Number of children on roll	0
Name of registered person	Highbury Roundhouse Association Limited
Registered person unique reference number	RP520975
Telephone number	0207 359 5916
Date of previous inspection	3 June 2016

Information about this early years setting

Highbury Roundhouse After School Club registered in 2005. It is located in Highbury, in the London Borough of Islington. The after-school club is open each weekday during term time from 3pm to 6pm, and a holiday playscheme operates during school holidays from 8am to 5pm. There are 19 staff employed, of whom 16 staff hold appropriate childcare qualifications from level 6 to level 1.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Kathryn Irvine

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the after-school club 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 viewed the provision and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises.
- The provider showed the inspector relevant documentation and shared information to demonstrate the suitability of staff who will be working in the after-school club.
- The inspector spoke with the nominated individual about the leadership and management of the setting.

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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