

# Inspection of Junior Adventures Group @ Sacred Heart HA4

Sacred Heart Rc Junior & Infant School, Herlwyn Avenue, Ruislip HA4 6EZ

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Inspection date: 9 March 2023

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

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Not applicable

## **What is it like to attend this early years setting?**

### **This provision meets requirements**

Staff carefully plan the sessions for children. They provide a good range of resources that are appropriate for the different ages of children who attend. Children understand the club rules and expectations. For example, they put their coats and bags in a designated place as they arrive. Children thoroughly enjoy their time in this friendly and very well-organised club. They are all engaged and full of purpose as they play together. Staff are very responsive to children. They listen to them talk about their day at school with interest. Children show much affection for the friendly staff team. They welcome the help that staff give them, for example, as they encounter challenges when building a structure with construction materials. Staff offer just the right amount of support to enable children to overcome these difficulties to reach a successful outcome.

Staff ensure that the atmosphere in the club is very welcoming and friendly. They greet the children warmly as they arrive. Staff are quick to respond when children ask for a particular resource. Consequently, children feel motivated, safe and confident in their surroundings. Children behave well and show good levels of cooperation. They share popular resources, such as the toy animals, so that everyone can participate. Staff manage any minor disagreements between children sensitively.

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

- Children have access to a large number of resources. They know where everything is and keenly help themselves as they follow their own interests. Children enjoy being physically active in the large, well-equipped outdoor play environment. They thoroughly enjoy the opportunity to play football or run and chase each other on the playground.
- The club is an inclusive environment. All children, including vulnerable children or those who speak English as an additional language, are welcomed and valued. Managers plan carefully with parents to ensure that children with special educational needs and/or disabilities are fully included in activities.
- Relationships with parents are particularly strong at this club. Parents praise the 'brilliant staff' and the well-resourced environment. They say their children are extremely happy at the club and develop very close bonds with the staff. Parents are extremely happy with the service provided.
- Children are provided with a range of healthy food that meets their dietary needs. They enjoy fruit and independently make their own sandwiches and choose what filling they would like. Children know to wash their hands before mealtimes and staff also model this well. They regularly drink water throughout the afternoon and are reminded to keep hydrated by staff after they take part in

physical activities. This helps children to learn about healthy lifestyle choices.

- Managers provide staff with supervision opportunities to reflect on their performance and provide them with support. Staff comment that they feel well supported by leaders and managers. Managers support staff to access frequent training and professional development opportunities. This helps them to understand their role and responsibilities, with particular regard to keeping children safe.
- Staff place a great emphasis on promoting children's social and emotional development. Early years children have a named key person who knows them well and supports them to feel secure. These adults ensure that children's interests are reflected in the activities that are provided. Staff are extremely responsive to children's needs and enthusiastically join in with their games. Children build strong bonds with each other and with staff.
- Partnerships with the host school are strong. Staff have good relationships with the teachers to support them to build on children's skills and knowledge. For example, they talk to staff each day as they collect the children and are aware of the topics that are being explored in school. This supports consistency for children's learning.
- Children have very good opportunities to develop an awareness of the wider world they live in. Staff ensure that all children are encouraged to take part in activities, regardless of age or gender. They actively encourage discussions to challenge stereotypes when opportunities arise. Children develop a positive attitude towards diversity and a strong acceptance for all.

## **Safeguarding**

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.

Staff are consistent in their safeguarding procedures. They demonstrate a good understanding of the club's policies and procedures. The provider makes sure that staff access relevant training to keep their knowledge of safeguarding up to date, including keeping children safe online. New staff are well supported to understand all policies and procedures that relate to children's welfare. All staff know the signs that may cause them to be concerned about a child. They know their responsibilities to report any concerns immediately to the safeguarding lead or relevant service. The club works closely with the host school to ensure children's well-being.

## Setting details

<b>Unique reference number</b>	2598983
<b>Local authority</b>	Hillingdon
<b>Inspection number</b>	10251513
<b>Type of provision</b>	Childcare on non-domestic premises
<b>Registers</b>	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
<b>Day care type</b>	Out-of-school day care
<b>Age range of children at time of inspection</b>	4 to 11
<b>Total number of places</b>	60
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	104
<b>Name of registered person</b>	Junior Adventures Group UK Ltd
<b>Registered person unique reference number</b>	RP901001
<b>Telephone number</b>	07824157220
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	Not applicable

## Information about this early years setting

Junior Adventures Group @ Sacred Heart HA4 registered in 2020 and is located in Ruislip. The club employs 11 members of childcare staff. Of these, four hold an appropriate early years qualification at level 2 and above. The breakfast club operates from 7.30am to 9am and the after-school club operates from 3.15pm to 6pm, during term time only.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

Rizwana Nagoor

## 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 provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation, including checking the suitability of the staff.
- Discussions were held with the manager and staff during the inspection.
- Parents shared their views of the club with the inspector.
- Children told the inspector about what they like to do when they are at the club.
- The inspector completed a learning walk of the areas used by the club to find out how they are organised, and the range of activities provided, both indoors and outdoors.

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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