

# Inspection of Junior Adventures Group @ Alderton IG10

Alderton Infant School, Alderton Hall Lane, LOUGHTON, Essex IG10 3HE

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Inspection date: 17 April 2023

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

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Not Met (with actions)

## Summary of key findings

### This provision meets requirements

- Significant improvements have taken place since the previous inspection. Staff receive regular training to support them to safeguard children. They speak confidently and can identify possible signs of abuse or neglect. Staff are aware of how to raise concerns regarding children or their colleagues to the relevant safeguarding leaders. Managers are aware of how to escalate concerns beyond the organisation to other professional agencies if required.
- Staff know the children who attend and speak confidently about their key children, despite no early years children being present. They regularly liaise with parents and hold discussions about what children have done at the club. Staff are aware of children's individual needs and speak about how they support these. This supports positive relationships between staff, parents and children.
- Staff speak about the strong support they receive from leaders. They participate in regular supervision meetings and discuss strategies to promote children's positive behaviour. Staff collaborate with other professionals who work with the children, such as school teachers, to ensure these behaviour management strategies are consistent. Staff speak about how they use visual cues to support children who struggle with routines. They recognise the positive impact this has on children's behaviour across the club.
- The manager and staff speak about how they consider children's individual needs and interests when they plan activities. They also recognise the need for children to relax after a busy day at school and consider this when they set up resources for the children. Staff understand that providing engaging resources will help children to maintain focus.
- Staff demonstrate a good understanding of the importance of online safety. They work closely with the school and parents. They intend to help children to understand how to stay safe online and talk to them about who to speak to if children have concerns about something they see or hear.
- Staff recognise the importance of celebrating children's achievements. For instance, children are invited to place their work in a scrapbook to share their creations with others. Staff recognise the importance of using positive encouragement and praise to help children build their confidence.
- Staff speak about how they value children's voices and opinions. For example, they plan opportunities for children to get to know one another through discussion during circle time. The manager discusses how older children can share the club rules with the rest of the children who attend. She is able to identify how this helps children to understand why the rules are in place.

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

<b>Unique reference number</b>	EY559778
<b>Local authority</b>	Essex
<b>Inspection number</b>	10239038
<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>	20
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	210
<b>Name of registered person</b>	Junior Adventures Group UK Ltd
<b>Registered person unique reference number</b>	RP901001
<b>Telephone number</b>	07970499197
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	22 April 2022

## Information about this early years setting

Junior Adventures Group @ Alderton IG10 registered in 2018 and is based in Alderton Infant School in Loughton, Essex. It operates from 7.30am to 9am before school and from 3pm to 6pm after school. It employs four members of childcare staff.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

Jenny Hardy

## Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed any continued impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The manager showed the inspector around the space used by the club and explained how they ensure that it is safe for children.
- The inspector held discussions with staff at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The inspector gathered the views of parents who use the club and took these into consideration.
- Relevant documentation was viewed by the inspector, including staff suitability documents.

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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