

Inspection of School Friend Clubs @ St Mary's Uxbridge

St. Marys Catholic Primary School, Rockingham Road, Uxbridge UB8 2UA

Inspection date:

23 May 2023

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not applicable

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The club manager discusses how she will implement an effective key-person system when early years children settle into the club to ensure that younger children feel safe and begin to make friendships with others.
- Children are given choices about what they want to play with as the club manager discusses how she plans to ensure that there are a variety of activities for children, both indoors and outdoors.
- An effective behaviour management strategy is in place to ensure that children understand the rules and boundaries of the club.
- The club manager discusses how she will maintain an open flow of communication with the host school to ensure that she can support the needs of all children and families.
- The club manager talks about how she will provide opportunities for children to develop their independence. She intends to choose helpers for snack times and will encourage all children to choose their own snack.
- Parents are happy with the club service and say older children 'love the activities on offer'.
- The club manager talks about how she will continually improve her service and regularly gather feedback from parents and children to implement new things and improve provision for children.
- An effective induction process is in place to ensure that staff are aware of their roles and responsibilities.
- The club manager provides opportunities for open discussions within the staff team regarding safeguarding children in the club. Staff ensure that they communicate with the school and parents to promote the safety and welfare of all children.
- Staff understand how to keep children safe and talk confidently about how they intend to do this. They discuss how they have frequent opportunities to discuss safeguarding and how the club manager and provider ensure that all statutory training is up to date.
- Staff discuss how they have regular supervision meetings with the provider and feel well supported in their roles.

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	2632454
Local authority	Hillingdon
Inspection number	10285683
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	5 to 11
Total number of places	60
Number of children on roll	152
Name of registered person	School Friend Clubs (SFC) Limited
Registered person unique reference number	2632457
Telephone number	0844 272 7158
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

School Friend Clubs at St Mary's registered in April 2021 and operates on the grounds of St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Uxbridge, London. The club employs three members of childcare staff. The club operates Monday to Friday, from 3.15pm to 5.45pm, during school term time only.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Amy Clarkson

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 completed a learning walk of the areas used to find out how they are organised, and the range of activities provided indoors and outdoors.
- Parents shared their views of the setting with the inspector.
- The inspector checked a sample of documentation, including evidence of staff's suitability and training.
- The inspector held regular discussions with the provider and manager throughout the inspection.
- The inspector viewed the provision and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises.

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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