

# Inspection of Mytime Active childcare services at the Walnuts

Walnuts Leisure Centre, Lych Gate Road, Orpington BR6 0TJ

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Inspection date:

15 February 2024

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

**This  
inspection**

**Not met (with actions)**

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Previous  
inspection

Good

## Summary of key findings

### This provision does not meet requirements

- The provider does not ensure that safeguarding policies are in line with the guidance and procedures of the local safeguarding partners. Managers and staff do not fully understand their responsibilities to keep children safe. They do not know what action to take if there is an allegation made about a staff member, including which agencies to report this to.
- Managers do not ensure that staff understand the procedures to follow when a child has an infectious illness to help prevent the spread of infection at the setting.
- Managers do not understand how to safely manage children's allergies. They do not ensure all that all staff involved in mealtimes know of children's individual dietary requirements to maintain children's good health and well-being.
- Staff know how to plan interesting activities for children. They recognise the importance of giving children choices and finding out what their interests are to help provide engaging play opportunities.
- Staff understand that it is important to create clear rules and expectations. They recognise that supporting children's behaviour helps to promote children's happiness and safety.
- Staff understand that they may need to adapt their provision to meet the needs of individual children. They understand how to support children with special educational needs and/or disabilities.
- Staff understand the importance of providing children with opportunities for physical activity to promote their confidence.

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.

### What does the setting need to do to improve?

**To meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage and Childcare Register the provider must:**

	<b>Due date</b>
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ensure written policies for safeguarding children are in line the local safeguarding partner's procedures, with particular regard to whistle blowing procedures, and that all staff gain a secure understanding of these	01/03/2024
improve staff's understanding of the procedures to follow in the event of a child having an infectious illness to support all children's good health and well-being	01/03/2024
ensure staff involved in the management of mealtimes are aware of children's food allergies to enable them to meet their individual care and health needs.	01/03/2024

## Setting details

<b>Unique reference number</b>	EY489939
<b>Local authority</b>	Bromley
<b>Inspection number</b>	10311822
<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>	0 to 0
<b>Total number of places</b>	20
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	100
<b>Name of registered person</b>	Mytime Active
<b>Registered person unique reference number</b>	RP524567
<b>Telephone number</b>	01689870533
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	11 April 2018

## Information about this early years setting

Mytime Active childcare services at the Walnuts Leisure Centre in Orpington registered in 2015. The holiday club is open Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 5.30pm during the school holidays, except for Christmas. The holiday club employs twenty one staff who work in the holiday camp, 4 of whom hold appropriate qualifications at level 3 or above.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

Kate Daurge

## 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 viewed the provision and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises.
- The inspector held discussions with managers and staff to assess if the provider is meeting the statutory requirements.
- The manager showed the inspector documentation to demonstrate the suitability of staff.
- Although there were no children in the early age range present at the time of this inspection, there were children present who were over the age of five years.

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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