

# Creations After School Club

Inspection report for early years provision

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**Registered person** Creations After School Club Ltd

**Type of inspection** Childcare

**Type of care** Out of School care

This inspection was carried out under the provisions of Part XA of the Children Act 1989, as inserted by the Care Standards Act 2000

## **ABOUT THIS INSPECTION**

The purpose of this inspection is to assure government, parents and the public of the quality of childcare and, if applicable, of nursery education. The inspection was carried out under Part XA Children Act 1989 as introduced by the Care Standards Act 2000 and, where nursery education is provided, under Schedule 26 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.

This report details the main strengths and any areas for improvement identified during the inspection. The judgements included in the report are made in relation to the outcomes for children set out in the Children Act 2004; the National Standards for under 8s day care and childminding; and, where nursery education is provided, the *Curriculum guidance for the foundation stage*.

The report includes information on any complaints about the childcare provision which Ofsted has received since the last inspection or registration or 1 April 2004 whichever is the later.

### **The key inspection judgements and what they mean**

*Outstanding: this aspect of the provision is of exceptionally high quality*

*Good: this aspect of the provision is strong*

*Satisfactory: this aspect of the provision is sound*

*Inadequate: this aspect of the provision is not good enough*

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*your inspection?* which is available from Ofsted's website: [www.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk).

### **THE QUALITY AND STANDARDS OF THE CARE**

On the basis of the evidence collected on this inspection:

The quality and standards of the care are good. The registered person meets the National

Standards for under 8s day care and childminding.

### **WHAT SORT OF SETTING IS IT?**

Creations After School Club was registered in 2007. The club operates from within Christ Church Brondesbury CE Primary School, which is located within the London borough of Brent. There is an enclosed outdoor play area. The club serves children attending the school and other schools within the local area. The opening hours are from 15:15 to 17:30 Monday to Friday during term times.

The club operates a holiday play scheme from 08:30 to 17:30 during the school holidays. The club may care for a maximum of 35 children from four years to under eight years at any one time. The club also provides care for children over eight years. There are currently 20 children on roll. The club supports a number of children with learning difficulties and disabilities. There are four staff and two volunteers employed to work with the children. Of these, three of the staff hold early years qualifications.

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### **THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROVISION**

#### **Helping children to be healthy**

The provision is good.

Children's health is well maintained. They have a good awareness and understanding of their own personal hygiene. For example, they follow hygiene procedures such as washing their hands independently before eating their snacks.

Good procedures are in place for accidents such as a well stocked first aid kit. Children are protected from unnecessary illness as they do not attend when they are infectious.

Children are well nourished and have their health and dietary needs met well, because the club works well with parents. Children have good opportunities to help with the planning and preparation of their snacks. The club have developed a healthy eating plan helping children to understand the importance of a healthy diet. For example, they are learning that food is fun; they should eat lots of food that gives them energy; eat fruits and vegetables every day and drink lots of water and fruit juices.

They enjoy healthy and nutritious snacks such as, crackers, yogurt and variety of sandwiches

including honey, cheese and ham. They are offered a selection of fresh fruits daily such as

apples, mango and pineapple and regular drinks of water and fruit juices.

Children's special

dietary needs are recorded and known to all the staff.

Children have daily opportunities to enjoy suitable physical outdoor play activities, to develop

new skills. This encourages them to keep healthy.

### **Protecting children from harm or neglect and helping them stay safe**

The provision is good.

Children are cared for in a secure, warm and child friendly environment. Staff are suitably

deployed to promote children's safety. Risks are minimised owing to staff's good understanding

of the club's policies and procedures.

Although children have access to the large hall, they are restricted to space due to the storage

of large tables. This means that children are unable able to move around freely. The cupboard

used for the storage of toys and equipment is not suitable. As a result, children are unable to

select more toys and equipment safely.

Children are well protected from harm or neglect. Staff have a good knowledge and

understanding of local child protection policies and procedures to ensure the welfare, safety

and protection of the children.

### **Helping children achieve well and enjoy what they do**

The provision is good.

Children enjoy their time at the club. The atmosphere is relaxed and welcoming; children interact

warmly with staff and each other. Children benefit from the routine, allowing them to initiate

their own ideas and make their own choices about their play. They play well independently and

with their peers and seek out their friends to share activities.

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Children participate eagerly in activities such as, arts and crafts, role play, table top and board

games, playing pool and using the club's computers.

Children are encouraged to contribute their ideas to the planning of activities, for example

through regular children's meetings and children's questionnaires. This provides children with

very good opportunities to comment on the things they like about the club, the things they

do not like about it, what games or activities they would like to participate in and how the club

could be improved.

Children are kind and considerate towards each other as they share and take turns, which means they play together harmoniously. Children thoroughly enjoy their time at the club.

### **Helping children make a positive contribution**

The provision is good.

All children are welcomed and play a full part in the club because staff value each child as an

individual. Children are respectful of each other and the staff. They are learning about the

world they live in and the beliefs of other people as they celebrate festivals such as, black

history month, Eid and Chinese New Year.

Children with learning difficulties are integrated well in the setting. They are well supported

by staff that have secure knowledge, experience and understanding of children's individual

needs. Staff work closely with other professional agencies to ensure children's individual needs

are met effectively.

Children are well behaved and know what is expected of them. They contribute to developing

the club's simple guideline to acceptable behaviour and take great pride in identifying their

rules. The clear behaviour management policy promotes positive behaviour by encouraging

children to be kind, helpful and show respect and consideration for others.

Children's behaviour

is well managed by adults.

Good relationships with parents are well maintained to ensure that children's individual needs

are met and respected. The club actively seeks the views of parents. For example, they are

provided with good opportunities to complete parents' questionnaires commenting on the

service they receive. Daily feed back from staff keep parents well informed of what their children

have enjoyed doing.

### **Organisation**

The organisation is good.

The club offers a warm and welcoming environment where all children are happy and settled.

Children are well cared for by adults who are routinely vetted and have relevant experience,

knowledge and skills.

Children settle well due to the well organised daily routine. However, space is restricted due

to the storage of large tables. This means that children are unable to move around freely in

comfort. The storage cupboard used for the storage of toys and equipment is not suitable. As a result, children are unable to choose more toys and equipment independently.

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Children's individual needs are managed well, they enjoy the time they spend at the club. Staff are confident in their roles and responsibilities for example, children are well supervised when participating in activities.

Detailed policies and procedures are implemented well to successfully promote children's care and well-being. The setting meets the range of children for whom it provides.

#### **Improvements since the last inspection**

Not applicable

#### **Complaints since the last inspection**

Since registration there have been no complaints made to Ofsted that required the provider or Ofsted to take any action in order to meet the National Standards. The provider is required to keep a record of complaints made by parents, which they can see on request. The complaints record may contain complaints other than those made to Ofsted.

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#### **WHAT MUST BE DONE TO SECURE FUTURE IMPROVEMENT?**

##### **The quality and standards of the care**

To improve the quality and standards of care further the registered person should take account

of the following recommendation(s):

- ensure that suitable storage is available for storing toys and equipment
- ensure that the main hall allows children to move round freely in comfort.

Any complaints about the inspection or the report should be made following the procedures

set out in the leaflet *Complaints about Ofsted Early Years: concerns or complaints about Ofsted's*

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