

Acorn ASC & Play Scheme



Ackroyd Community Centre, Ackroyd Road, LONDON SE23 1DL

Inspection date	17 August 2018
Previous inspection date	23 November 2016

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Not met (with enforcement)	
	Previous inspection:	Requires improvement	3

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision does not meet requirements

- The provider has not developed robust procedures to ensure the ongoing suitability of staff. This puts children at risk.
- The provider does not ensure that staff with paediatric first-aid qualifications are available at all times when children are present. Staff do not have the necessary training and skills to meet children's needs effectively in the event of an accident. This has a significant impact on children's health and well-being.
- The provider has failed to notify Ofsted of changes to committee members, so the required suitability checks can be completed. This is a breach of legal requirements.
- The management team does not ensure that staff follow safe practices with relation to the use of mobile phones and cameras. This compromises children's safety.
- The provider has not ensured that all members of the team have up-to-date knowledge of current safeguarding guidelines, such as issues relating to children's extreme behaviours and views.
- Although the management team has made some improvements to meet the actions and recommendations set in the previous inspection, it has not effectively identified all breaches to legal requirements.
- Staff provide an inclusive environment. They have reviewed and improved their practices with relation to promoting children's independence. They understand the importance of providing regular opportunities for children to be physically active and to play and exercise in the fresh air.

There were no children 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 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 the setting needs to do to improve further

The provision is inadequate and Ofsted intends to take enforcement action:

We will issue a Welfare Requirements Notice requiring the provider to:

	Due date
ensure effective systems are in place to confirm the ongoing suitability of all staff and ensure staff understand they must disclose any information that may affect their suitability to work with children	10/09/2018
ensure that a member of staff with a paediatric first-aid qualification is on the premises and available at all times when children are present	10/09/2018
ensure that Ofsted is informed of changes to committee members, so that required suitability checks can be carried out	10/09/2018
ensure all staff adopt safe care practices, with particular reference to the use of mobile phones	10/09/2018
ensure that leaders, managers and all staff understand their responsibilities under the 'Prevent' duty guidance for England and Wales 2015.	10/09/2018

Inspection activities

- The inspector viewed a sample of documents, including suitability checks and recruitment documents.
- The inspector assessed the arrangements for safeguarding and procedures for ensuring staff suitability.
- The inspector held discussions with the manager and staff at appropriate times, and assessed the effectiveness of the self-evaluation process.

Inspector

Geetha Ramesh

Setting details

Unique reference number	129003
Local authority	Lewisham
Inspection number	10057597
Type of provision	Out-of-school day care
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childcare on non-domestic premises
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	50
Number of children on roll	110
Name of registered person	Acorn ASC & Holiday Playscheme Committee
Registered person unique reference number	RP523950
Date of previous inspection	23 November 2016
Telephone number	020 8291 3181

Acorn After School Club and Play Scheme registered in 1995. It is located in Honor Oak, London. The club opens for breakfast from 7.30am to 9am and after school from 3.30pm until 6pm, for five days a week during school terms. There is also a holiday playscheme, which usually runs from 8.30am until 6pm. The club has close links with Stillness, William of York and Dalmain schools. There are 12 members of staff. Of these, six hold relevant childcare qualifications.

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