

Inspection of Joydenswood breakfast and after school club ltd

Joydens Wood CP School, Birchwood Drive, DARTFORD DA2 7NE

Inspection date:

22 May 2025

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not applicable

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- Staff explain how they make the out-of-school club a welcoming and friendly environment for children. Before children start, staff find out about their likes and interests. They discuss how this information will be used at meet-and-greet sessions to inform what resources children will enjoy. Leaders understand that a key person will need to be allocated to children and they plan for older children to act as buddies to younger children.
- Staff plan to offer a wide range of activities based on the children's interests and will adapt activities for younger children to be able to join in. For example, they have a range of board games, crafts, imaginative play and sensory experiences available, such as salt dough. Staff explain how they will consult with children when buying new resources to make sure that they offer fun and interesting activities for children.
- Staff talk with confidence about how they reflect daily as they set up the out-of-school club. They organise the environment to meet the needs of all the children. For example, areas such as role play areas will be set up to encourage children to make friends. Staff recognise that helping children to make dens will provide a quiet space to help them relax after a busy day at school.
- Staff discuss how they will manage behaviour and set boundaries. The club rules align with the school site that they operate. They explain that they will ensure rules are familiar to children to provide consistency. Staff talk about how they will support children to understand and follow the rules, such as going to the toilet with a buddy.
- The manager explains that staff supervision sessions provide time to talk about well-being. They identify any development needs besides mandatory training. For example, staff have undertaken child exploitation training so that they know how to safeguard children. Staff talk with confidence about how they understand how to keep children safe and how they know where to report any concerns if they have any.

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	2733270
Local authority	Kent
Inspection number	10394855
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	0 to 0
Total number of places	35
Number of children on roll	92
Name of registered person	Joydenswood breakfast and after school club ltd
Registered person unique reference number	2733268
Telephone number	07984041272
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The out-of-school club operates from Joydenswood Junior School. It registered at this site in 2023. It provides care from 7am to 8.45am and 3.15pm to 6.30pm, Monday to Friday, during term time. During the school holidays, it offers a holiday club during the day. The out-of-school club employs six members of staff, of whom four hold relevant qualifications at level 2 and 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Jennie Winchcombe

Inspection activities

- 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.
- The manager showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The inspector spoke to staff about the activities and experiences they plan to offer early years children.
- The manager provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- The inspector talked to staff at appropriate times during the inspection and took account of their views.
- The inspector spoke with the nominated individual about the leadership and management of the setting.
- Staff explained to the inspector their understanding of how to keep early years children safe and promote their welfare.

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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