

Inspection of TOPKIDZ @ ALDBURY

Aldbury Primary School, Stocks Road, Aldbury, Tring HP23 5RT

Inspection date:

19 June 2025

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not applicable

What is it like to attend this early years setting?

This provision meets requirements

Children enjoy their time in the club. They play with resources that interest them and confidently ask staff for additional items if they are not already out on the floor or tables. For example, while some children carefully colour and make masks depicting minibeasts, others ask for stacking cups to see who can construct the tallest tower before they topple to the floor. Staff chat to children to find out how their days have been, helping to identify any new interests that can be further explored in the club. Staff consider the weather conditions and any significant events that have happened in the school. For example, staff take into account how tired children may be following their sports day. They set out craft activities and encourage children to keep hydrated.

Children feel valued. They know they have a voice, helping to make choices about activities and food they eat. Children recall the clear rules that are in place. These include understanding the areas they can and cannot access and the resources they can use. The rules reflect school values, which children continue to demonstrate. These include kindness and respect, which are demonstrated within the close-knit community. As a result, children behave well.

What does the early years setting do well and what does it need to do better?

- Older children welcome younger members into the club. They all play and cooperate well together, helping to create a relaxed and harmonious environment. Staff interact well with children, joining in their games and setting simple challenges. Children respond well to staff's requests. For example, they all join in to tidy away their craft materials in order to clear the tables before they eat.
- Staff build a good relationship with parents. They let them know how the children have been and are able to pass on any messages from school staff if and when necessary. Parents report they feel able to talk to the staff if they ever have any concerns regarding their children's time in the club. As a result, parents feel confident that their children receive positive experiences and care in the club.
- Staff and the provider maintain good relationships with school staff. When necessary, they work closely with key members of staff to help ensure children's well-being is consistently supported.
- The provider has clear expectations of staff. Robust policies and procedures are in place to help maintain the quality of the provision. Staff access professional development to help ensure their knowledge and understanding of different aspects of their work remains up to date and reflects the needs of the children in their care. For example, all staff hold a qualification in first aid and regularly

update their knowledge and understanding of how to protect children from harm.

- Staff provide children with a variety of nutritious meals. Through the enrolment process, staff find out about any allergies or dietary requirements they need to follow for individual children. Staff ensure that children do not come into contact with ingredients that can make them unwell. This contributes to children's positive well-being.

Safeguarding

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.

There is an open and positive culture around safeguarding that puts children's interests first.

Setting details

Unique reference number	2718357
Local authority	Hertfordshire
Inspection number	10388731
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	18
Number of children on roll	19
Name of registered person	Topkidz Out-Of-School Hours & Daycare Group Limited
Registered person unique reference number	RP908033
Telephone number	03454309331
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

TOPKIDZ @ ALDBURY registered in 2023 and opens from 3.25pm until 6pm, Monday to Thursday, throughout the school term. The setting operates from Aldbury C of E Primary School and employs three members of staff. Of these, one holds a qualification at level 3, and another has a qualification at level 6.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Katrina Rodden

Inspection activities

- The manager described how the club is set up each day. She talked about the impact on children.
- The inspector observed activities inside and outside. She spoke to staff and children at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The inspector held a meeting with the provider.
- The inspector viewed a range of documents, including the evidence of the suitability of staff and children's attendance registers.
- The inspector spoke to a small number of parents and took their views into consideration.

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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