

# Inspection of Treehouse Childcare Limited

Acorn House, Bradfield Road, Urmston, MANCHESTER M41 9PD

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Inspection date:

5 August 2025

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

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Met

## What is it like to attend this early years setting?

### This provision meets requirements

Children are very happy in this friendly and inclusive setting. Staff know each child well and are ambitious about what each child can achieve. They ensure their care meets each child's needs, such as building their confidence, supporting them to make friends or helping them to express their feelings positively.

Children enjoy participating in group activities that are social, fun and flexible so that everyone can follow their own interests. For example, children make personalised bedroom door hangers from sticks they find outdoors. Staff encourage children to access resources independently. The haberdashery area is a hive of activity as children focus on threading beads onto bracelets and decorating masks. Staff engage in children's role play, acting as customers in their busy restaurant. Outdoors, children take pride in the enormous courgettes and towering sunflowers they lovingly grow. The provision of this wide range of activities promotes children's engagement and establishes a purposeful environment.

Staff help children to meet their high expectations of behaviour. Children have a good understanding of the rules and why they are important. For example, children explain what they need to do to be safe outside. Children's excellent behaviour contributes to the harmonious and welcoming atmosphere.

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

- Staff help children to communicate very effectively. They role model a good standard of English and use a wide vocabulary. At lunchtime, staff talk to children about how to know when it is their turn to talk in a conversation. Children enjoy sharing their ideas and opinions and speak with confidence.
- Staff encourage children to be independent and resilient. Children help to tidy up, serve snack and take care of their own belongings. Staff encourage children to think critically in order to solve problems. For example, as children build dens outdoors, staff ask what they could do to stay dry when it rains. This helps children develop positive attitudes to learning and challenges.
- Staff praise children's effort and achievements. They tell children what they are good at and praise their creativity, kindness and concentration. This promotes children's self esteem.
- Staff help children to manage their emotions. They give children the strategies they need to feel calm such as providing quiet spaces. Children know that if they need to talk, they can go to an adult or put on a rainbow lanyard and an adult will come to speak to them. When children disagree, staff help them to think about the feelings of others and find ways to resolve their issues. This helps children feel safe and secure.

- Staff help children to learn about how a nutritious diet contributes to a healthy lifestyle. They help children learn about different foods and to enjoy a varied diet. Staff promote positive attitudes to balancing physical activity and rest. Children know that if the weather is good they will be having fun outside. This practice helps children learn how to make healthy choices.
- Staff work effectively with schools to ensure their practice helps children to be prepared for learning. They run a homework club and help children's early reading in line with the school's methods. Staff engage with schools to help support children with any challenges they are facing. However, there is scope to strengthen communication further in order to support children even more effectively.
- Leadership and management practice is highly effective. The manager is passionate about the outstanding care she wants to provide for children and communicates this to all staff. The manager role models the high standard of practice she expects. The management team continually review and self evaluate the service they offer. This strong leadership ensures that practice continually improves to support children's needs.

## **Safeguarding**

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.

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

## Setting details

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| <b>Unique reference number</b>                     | EY401284                                                                          |
| <b>Local authority</b>                             | Trafford                                                                          |
| <b>Inspection number</b>                           | 10399060                                                                          |
| <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> | 3 to 11                                                                           |
| <b>Total number of places</b>                      | 52                                                                                |
| <b>Number of children on roll</b>                  | 212                                                                               |
| <b>Name of registered person</b>                   | Treehouse Childcare Limited                                                       |
| <b>Registered person unique reference number</b>   | RP900939                                                                          |
| <b>Telephone number</b>                            | 01612869705                                                                       |
| <b>Date of previous inspection</b>                 | 19 November 2019                                                                  |

## Information about this early years setting

Treehouse Childcare Limited is in Urmston, Manchester and registered in 2010. The club employs seven members of childcare staff. The manager holds qualified teacher status, one member of staff holds a level 3 qualification and two members of staff hold a level 2 qualification. The club opens from Monday to Friday, all year round, except during the Christmas period. Sessions are from 7.15am to 8.45am and 3pm to 5.45pm, during term time. A holiday club operates from 8am to 5.30pm.

## Information about this inspection

**Inspector**  
Natalie Myatt

## Inspection activities

- The manager showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- Children told the inspector about their friends, the rules and what they like to do when they are at the setting.
- The inspector talked to staff at appropriate times during the inspection and took account of their views.
- The inspector observed the interactions between staff and the children.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation and reviewed evidence of the suitability of staff working in the setting.

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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