

# YOUNG INSPECTORS



Young Inspectors report on: Cooking Fun at IW College

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With the views and voice from Young Inspectors

## **Young Inspectors report on: Cooking Fun at IW College**

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The 'Young Inspectors Scheme' has been developed to capture the voice of children and young people who have a disability and/or additional needs giving them the opportunity to contribute in shaping and developing the service.

The Young Inspectors reviewed the Short Breaks service based on the following areas deemed important to them. The inspection is part of an agreement between Short Breaks and the provider highlighted within the Short Breaks agreement. This is what the Young Inspectors found:

## Report Summary

Inspected areas	Overall (star rating) out of 3 Stars	Did they meet Young Inspectors needs
Staff		See 4.1
Fun and Enjoyment		See 4.2
Accessibility		See 4.3
Safety and surroundings		See 4.4

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## **1.0 Details about the provision that was inspected**

Cooking school is a Short Breaks activity that runs on a Tuesday on selected dates. Within the session young people can choose what they want to cook and are given various instructions on what to do. They use provided equipment and ingredients to cook their chosen item.

### **Overview of the organisation/service:**

Cooking Fun at IW College offers young people time to learn a variety of cookery and kitchen hygiene skills and prepare items to take home, or eat within the session

### **What they provide:**

Cooking and kitchen hygiene skills for children/young people ages 11-18.

**When is it available:** Various dates on a Tuesday – 2 hour sessions  
4.30-6.30pm

**How much is the costs:** £6 per person, per session.

**Who to contact to book:** Jane France

## **2.0 Introduction – Why we inspected Cookery Fun?**

A young inspector booked onto the Cookery Fun IW College blocked sessions to give feedback as Cookery Fun is established short breaks provider and was due an up to date inspection from Young Inspectors for 2017,

## **3.0 Methodology – How we inspected Cookery Fun?**

The inspection took place with one Young Inspector and feedback from his parent.

## **4.0 Review analysis- What we reviewed**

### **4.1 Staff**

The Young Inspector stated that he was always greeted nicely by the staff at Cookery Fun. He and his parent commented that the staff are friendly, happy, fun and helpful.

### **4.2 Fun and enjoyment**

The Young Inspectors said he has lots of fun during the session and he would attend the sessions again.

### **4.3 Accessibility**

Accessibility was discussed with the Young Inspectors; it was feedback that the session was held at a good time and was a good price. The activity is held at the Isle of Wight College and it was felt that this building was accessible to wheelchair users.

### **4.4 Safety and Surroundings**

The participating Young Inspector said he felt safe when attending and that the staff are approachable and happy to join in or help with the activity. The Young Inspector feedback that he was told about safety and would know what to do in the event of a fire.

### **4.5 Food and Dinning experience**

There are some facilities available on site to purchase food or drinks.

## **5.0 Summary of Inspection - What the Young Inspectors found**

The Young Inspector was asked to inspect the safety and surroundings, the staff, accessibility and the fun and enjoyment of the activity.

The Young Inspectors said he had enjoyed the sessions and all would like to attend again.

## **6.0 Recommendations – How the activity can be made better?**

There were no recommendations of how the activity could be improved, however the Young Inspector felt the session could be longer.

### **6.1 Young Inspectors views**

The Young Inspector felt that the sessions were overall was brilliant would attend again.

## **6.2 Young Inspectors Lead recommendations**

I did not attend any of the sessions with the Young Inspector as it was a pre bookable course but I was happy to write this report based on the feedback given from the experienced Young Inspector and his parent.

Overall, I believe that this is an excellent, inclusive activity, suited to a range of children with differing needs and abilities, promoting equal opportunities to all.

## **6.2 Parents Feedback**

The Young Inspectors parent feedback the following;

The activity was definitely age appropriate and meets his needs; I think £6 is reasonable for two hours and very often they take the food home so good value; The activity starts at 4 which is good for my son as he actually able to make his own way there after school as he put on his form they sometimes need longer. The frequency of the activity I feel is good as it is once a week; The college is an ideal place to hold the activity; My son, has ups and downs, now he knows Rachel and Chloe he is a lot happier so I would say yes he enjoys the activity; The age range is perfect, I feel my son's needs are met at the activity.

Other comments: A very good activity giving very good life skills for Lucas.

## **7.0 Overall award**

 **3 stars awarded**

## **8.0 Provider feedback**

Many thanks for this and we were delighted with the Inspectors findings.

Also we would also agree it would be good if the session was a bit longer so at the next funding opportunity we will propose an increase in the length of the session