

Inspection report for early years provision

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Inspection date	06/05/2009
Inspector	Lynn Masterman
Type of setting	Childminder

Introduction

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under Sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of the registered early years provision. 'Early years provision' refers to provision regulated by Ofsted for children from birth to 31 August following their fifth birthday (the early years age group). The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and welfare, known as the *Early Years Foundation Stage*.

The provider must provide a copy of this report to all parents with children at the setting where reasonably practicable. The provider must provide a copy of the report to any other person who asks for one, but may charge a fee for this service (The Childcare (Inspection) Regulations 2008 regulations 9 and 10).

The setting also makes provision for children older than the early years age group which is registered on the voluntary and/or compulsory part(s) of the Childcare Register. This report does not include an evaluation of that provision, but a comment about compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register is included in Annex B.

There were no children on roll 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 on roll, 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 if the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Description of the childminding

The childminder was registered in 2001. She lives with her husband and three children aged 13, 10 and four years old. The family live in a small village in Retford, near Nottinghamshire. The whole of the ground floor, including toilet facilities are used for childminding purposes. There is a secure outdoor play area to the rear of the premises. The childminder is a member of the National Childminding Association.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of five children at any one time. There are currently no children on roll. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register, and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register.

Overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The environment is clean and well maintained. The childminder has secure knowledge of the necessary documentation and the procedures to be followed to ensure the children's good health and well-being is protected. She childminder demonstrates through the use of risk assessments how she intends to provide a safe and secure environment for children. Relevant documentation supports her sound knowledge and understanding of the safeguarding procedures. The childminder demonstrates through discussion that she intends to promote an inclusive environment and to work in partnership with parents to ensure the children's individual needs are appropriately met. However, the childminder has limited understanding of the learning and development requirements. Therefore, there is insufficient focus on providing opportunities to help children reach their full potential and to assist their progression towards the early learning goals. The childminder shows a keen commitment to improvement through the use of self evaluation, access to training and seeking support from other childminder's in the area. The recommendations made at the last inspection have been successfully addressed.

Compliance with registration requirements

In order to continue to meet the requirements of registration, the registered person must take the following action by the specified date:

- develop knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements to help put into practice the Early Years Foundation Stage guidance (Suitable people).

30/06/2009

Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are:	Met
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The provider confirms that the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are:	Met
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