

Inspection report for early years provision

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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 report includes information on any complaints about the childcare provision which Ofsted has received since the last inspection or registration whichever is the later, which require Ofsted or the provider to take action in Annex C.

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 1992. She lives in the London borough of Camden close to shops, parks, schools and public transport links. The childminder's home is situated on the first floor of a block of maisonettes, with no lift access. The whole of the childminder's home is used for childminding, with the exception of the bedrooms.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of six children under eight years at any one time. 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, there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children.

The childminder collects children from the local school and attends several toddler groups on a regular basis.

Overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder does not meet all requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

The childminder has organised her home so that children can play in an inclusive learning environment. Children have access to toy resources, play materials and equipment which promotes their overall development and choices. The childminder records children's developmental progress using photographs and observations of their interests and abilities. However, she does not use this information to assess and plan for the next stage in children's learning. She is keen to develop her practice by attending further training to support her observations and assessment skills, to support children's learning and achievements whilst in her care. The childminder promotes the aspects of children's welfare satisfactorily, ensuring that they are safe and secure. She is developing the use of self-evaluation to identify key strengths and areas for improvement. Since the last inspection the childminder has reviewed some of her records, policies and procedures to ensure they are in line with the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage statutory guidance. However, records for risk assessment are not yet implemented; also the complaint procedure does not include a method to record complaint when this is necessary. The childminder has developed a close working partnership with parents, which ensures information is shared and they are kept informed of issues relating to their children's care and learning.

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:

 maintain a record of risk assessment that clearly state when it was carried out, by whom, date of review and any action taken following a review or incident (Documentation) (Suitable premises, environment & equipment) (also applies to the compulsory and voluntary part of the childcare register)

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 ensure the formal complaint procedures also include a method to record complaints when this is necessary. (Documentation) (Procedures for dealing with complaints) (also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register)

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Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the Not Met (with compulsory part of the Childcare Register are: actions)

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

Not Met (with actions)

The registered provider does not meet the requirements of the compulsory and or voluntary part/s of the Childcare Register.

To comply with the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

 take action as specified in the early years section of the report

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To comply with the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

 take action as specified in the early years section of the report

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Annex C: complaint/s made to Ofsted

This section of the report includes details of any complaint/s made to Ofsted when:

- we took action for the provider to meet the requirements of the Early Years Register; or
- we asked the provider to take action in order to meet the requirements of the Early Years Register; or
- the provider had already taken any necessary action to meet the requirements of the Early Years Register.

We will not report on any complaint where the provider met the requirements of the Early Years Register or did not require any action by Ofsted or the registered provider.

Detail of the complaint/s

There have been no complaints made to Ofsted since the last inspection.

The provider is required to keep a record of complaints made by parents, which they can see on request. The complaints record may contain complaints other than those made to Ofsted.