

Inspection report for early years provision

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Type of setting	Childminder
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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*.

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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.

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Description of the childminding

The childminder was registered in 1994. She lives with her husband and adult daughter in Islington, North London. The home is close to local shops and schools. The whole of the ground floor of the property is utilised for childminding purposes. The garden is not included within the registration.

The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and on both the voluntary and compulsory parts of the Childcare Register to provide care for a maximum of five children under eight years at any one time, of these, not more than three may be in the early years age group and no more than two may be under a year old. The childminder attends several local toddler groups and childminding support groups. She is a member of the National Childminding Association.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder effectively supports children and provides a range of activities and experiences that interests and fully includes them. She organises and manages her provision to ensure that the requirements for the welfare and education of children are met. Most documentation is in place to support children's welfare. Whilst she ensures areas used by the children are safe, she has not yet conducted robust risk assessments to assist her in managing hazards on all outings and trips that children enjoy. The childminder has a sound understanding of the need to record and report any concerns she may have, with particular regard to safeguarding issues. She regularly seeks reference to relevant guidance materials. There are improved systems for gathering information from parents and providing information for parents in order to ensure that the childminder is able to meet the children's needs and ensure that parents are kept informed. The childminder is aware of the importance of reflecting on her practice and shows a positive commitment and capacity to improve the quality of her provision.

Compliance with registration requirements

The registered person continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Annex B: the Childcare Register

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

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