

Inspection report for early years provision

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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 has been registered since 2006. She lives with her husband and two children in a semi-detached property in Farnborough, Hampshire. The ground floor of the childminder's house is available for childminding, with bathroom facilities also available on the ground floor. There is a fully enclosed garden for outside play. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She may care for a maximum of four children under eight years, of whom no more than two may be in the early years age group. There are currently no children on roll.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder shows a good awareness of safeguarding and she understands her responsibility to share concerns with relevant agencies. She has a well organised home and maintains a safe environment for children. She has completed risk assessments for her home and outings she would take children on. The childminder maintains her knowledge of first aid procedures through regularly updating her first aid qualification, which is current and reflective of paediatric work. The childminder has records in place for the recording of any accidents and for administering medication; she is fully aware of the required procedures. There is an effective record of children's attendance. She also maintains all other documentation required by the Early Years Foundation Stage. The childminder uses a parent's notice board to display, amongst other documentation, her registration certificate and qualifications. The childminder has a secure understanding of how she can meet the needs of individual children. She understands the importance of working in partnership with parents to keep them informed of children's development. She also has systems to share care information with parents on a daily basis.

The home and garden are suitable and safe for children, there is sufficient space and hygiene is well managed. Fire precautions are in place and smoke alarms are positioned on both levels of the property. The childminder has kept herself up to date with the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She is knowledgeable about the learning and development requirements and has systems in place to use when she returns to childminding children in the early years age group. She is aware to review her written documentation, particularly the policies to ensure they contain the most up-to-date information when childminding commences with new families. The childminder has also addressed the recommendations raised at the last inspection. Therefore, the childminder has shown the ability to evaluate her setting and drive improvement.

Compliance with registration requirements

The registered person continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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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:

 keep and implement a written statement of procedures to be followed for the protection of children, intended to safeguard the children being cared for from abuse or neglect (Arrangements for Safeguarding Children) (also applies to the voluntary part of the Childcare Register) 24/02/2012

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 (Arrangements for Safeguarding Children) 24/02/2012