

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 was registered in 1989. She lives in house in Eltham, which is in the London Borough of Greenwich, south east of London. Her family are now adults and no longer live in the family home. The house is close to local amenities such as schools, shops and a park. There is also public transport, trains and bus routes, nearby plus parking in an adjacent road. Children use all downstairs rooms and they have access to a rear garden.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of five children under eight years at any one time, of whom no more than three may be in the early years age range. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and on the compulsory and voluntary part of the Childcare Register. There are no children on roll at the time of the inspection.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder demonstrates through discussion that she has a sound knowledge of the procedures to safeguard children. She has a full range of policies and procedures that underpin her practice to support children's wellbeing and safety. This includes procedures for risk assessing her home and outings. She has maintained and updated her training in first aid.

The childminder demonstrates that she understands the learning and development requirements and she completed associated training in 2010. She has clear systems for planning a range of activities for children, depending on their age, stage of development and individual needs. The childminder is also able to show how she works with parents and others who are involved with children to ensure that her practice is fully inclusive. She understands the need to support children's achievement through regular observation and assessment of their progress and she has created note books for this purpose.

The childminder is currently evaluating her practice using the Ofsted evaluation form which will assist her when she starts minding. She maintains close contact with other childminders to keep abreast of current changes and is planning to update her knowledge by attending a course on safeguarding children. She has met the recommendations set at her last inspection which shows her commitment to continuous improvement. She maintains her home to a high standard and has a variety of toys available that are suitable for children in the early years age range. Some toys reflect diversity and the childminder takes positive steps to help children learn about differences in others.

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