

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 2008. She lives with her husband and their three adult children and an eleven year old daughter. They live in Clapton, in the London Borough of Hackney, close to parks, schools and public transport. The childminder's home is on the upper ground floor and the basement of a house. The whole of the upper ground floor of the childminder's house is used for childminding purposes. The garden is not used by children. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and the compulsory part of the Childcare Register. She is registered to care for a maximum of five children under eight years of age at any one time. Of these, no more than three children may be in the early years age group. There are currently no children in the early years age group on roll. The childminder takes and collects children from the local school.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder received actions at the last inspection, including one to gain an understanding of an effective safeguarding procedure and put it into practice. The childminder has addressed the action that was previously set. She is able to demonstrate sufficient knowledge of child protection and safeguarding issues approved by the Local Safeguarding Children Board. The childminder also keeps a copy of local safeguarding procedures. She is able to explain how she would use this in the event of any concerns about a child. The childminder has also appropriately addressed the other actions that were set at the last inspection. She has gained an understanding of the procedures for dealing with complaints. In addition, the childminder is aware that an explanation must be given to parents so that they are informed of the procedures for making complaints to Ofsted if they wish. The childminder is developing her knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage learning and development requirements. She is able to name most of the six areas of learning and give some examples of how she would use toys and activities to support children's language, numeracy, physical and creative development.

The childminder explains and demonstrates through documentary evidence how she would observe and assess children's progress. She also describes how she would plan to help to move them on in their learning. The childminder demonstrates an awareness of inclusion and the importance of treating children with equal concern. She has a satisfactory understanding of the need to develop partnerships with parents. In response to the action set at the last inspection, the childminder has attended several courses in order to develop her knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage framework. Consequently, she has implemented a number of procedures in line with the welfare requirements. She therefore demonstrates a sound ability to maintain continuous improvement. The childminder demonstrates a willingness to strengthen her ability to communicate effectively in English in order to improve her practice and the outcomes for children.

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:

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