

## 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 2003. She lives with her husband and her adult son and daughter in Leytonstone, in the London Borough of Waltham Forest. The whole of the childminder's home is used for minding. There is an enclosed garden available for outside play.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of three children under eight years at any one time, of whom no more than two may be in the early years age range and one may be under one. There are currently no children on roll in the early years age group. She also offers care to children aged up to 11 years. The childminder is registered by Ofsted on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. The childminder takes children to local pre-schools and picks up from the local primary school. She works from Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm all year.

## The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder demonstrates, through discussion and documentation, that she has an appropriate knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage Framework. She demonstrates that she has a clear understanding of what to do if she has a child protection concern. Suitable safeguarding and complaints policies are in place and all parents receive a copy of these at registration. The childminder keeps her home safe and secure. She completes and reviews her risk assessments regularly.

The childminder understands the importance of providing an inclusive environment where everyone is welcome. She demonstrates a good understanding of how she will meet the everyday care and welfare routines of children. The childminder explains how she obtains information from parents about children's likes and interests to help her meet their individual needs. She describes how she implements appropriate boundaries and behaviour management methods to help develop children's understanding of acceptable behaviour. The childminder talks about how she promotes healthy lifestyles by providing healthy food, drinks, regular exercise and fresh air. She takes necessary steps to promote children's health through good hygiene procedures. The childminder holds a valid first aid certificate and has documentation in place for recording accidents and any medication given.

The childminder describes how she offers a balance of adult-led and child-initiated activities in a relaxed and homely environment. She explains how she would provide activities and resources to help children make progress in all areas of learning. A balance of indoor and outdoor activities will be available. The childminder is aware of the assessment systems needed to monitor children's progress and identify their next steps in learning. She explains how she would keep parents fully informed about their child's progress through daily communication. The childminder describes how she would encourage parents to

contribute to their child's learning assessment profile. The childminder demonstrates a capacity to maintain continuous improvement. She has taken reasonable steps to address the three recommendations from her last inspection. She has developed consent forms to enable her to request parental permission for the seeking of any emergency medical treatment. The childminder has public liability insurance in place and all documentation was available for inspection. She understands the importance of reflecting on her practices so that she can identify her strengths and areas for development. The childminder keeps up-to-date with legislation by attending training courses.

## **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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