

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 2001. She lives with her husband, two adult children and 13-year-old son. They live in a house in the London Borough of Islington close to Arsenal Station. Children have access to the kitchen and living rooms on the ground floor and the bathroom on the first floor. A garden is also available for outdoor play.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of six children under eight years, three of whom may be in the early years age range. At the time of the inspection, there were no children on roll. However, children in the later years attend the setting before and after school. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. The family have a pet dog.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder describes effective practices to help ensure that risks are minimised and children can play safely. She demonstrates a clear understanding of her responsibility to safeguard children and regularly updates her knowledge. She has devised appropriate written procedures to share with parents.

The childminder has a competent understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She has developed a well-equipped and organised environment for children. A good range of resources to promote their learning needs is easily accessible. The childminder demonstrates how she would adapt activities to meet children's individual interests and stage of development. She has effective systems in place to observe and assess children's progress towards the early learning goals.

The childminder describes effective systems to promote equality and diversity by ensuring she has a good knowledge of each child's background and needs. She demonstrates a good understanding of the importance of working in partnership with parents and others to promote support children's achievement and wellbeing.

The childminder has the capacity to improve her service. She has met all recommendations from her last inspection. She regularly updates her childcare knowledge through attending training courses and researching new ideas and information using the internet. The childminder has developed informal systems for self-evaluation and has developed processes to involve parents and children in making improvements to her service.

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