

Inspection report for early years provision

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Introduction

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Children only attend this setting before and/or after the school day and/or during the school holidays. The judgements in this report reflect the quality of early years provision offered to children during those periods.

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 1999. She lives with her teenage children in Forest Hill, in the London Borough of Lewisham. The ground floor of the childminder's house is used for childminding with access to upstairs for the bathroom. Children have access to a secure enclosed rear garden for outside play. Schools are within walking distance.

The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She is registered to care for a maximum of three children under eight years at any one time, of whom no more than three may be in the Early Years age range. She is currently only caring for school age children after school. There were no early years children on roll at the time of the inspection.

The childminder is able to support children with special educational needs and/or disabilities and also children who speak English as an additional language. In addition, she can care for children with hearing impairment as she is confident in British sign Language. The childminder holds a level 3 qualification in childcare.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder is qualified and experienced. She currently cares for early years age group children in their own homes as a nanny. She demonstrates that she promotes the welfare, health and safety of the children well. Her knowledge of safeguarding issues is clear and she shares her policy with parents so they understand her responsibilities. The childminder holds a current first aid certificate and is confident in dealing with minor injuries and accidents. Her risk assessment helps ensure her home and garden are safe and that children are safe on outings. All required documentation is in place and available for inspection. Her written policies and procedures are shared with parents so they are aware of the service she offers.

The childminder has a good understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage framework and keeps up-to-date with good practice through training and meeting other child carers. She plans suitable and age appropriate activities for children and has a clear knowledge of how children learn and develop. The childminder has an excellent commitment to equalities and to providing an inclusive service. She is confident about caring for children who may have an additional need and in particular those with hearing impairment. Discussion with the childminder suggests that children have good relationships with the childminder and that she is able to meet their individual needs.

The childminder is aware of the importance of working in partnership with parents and others. She has good links with the local school where older age children attend. The childminder has addressed the recommendations raised at the last inspection. She has clear aims for the future and demonstrates a good

commitment to continuous improvement.

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