

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 2001. She lives in a town house with her husband and their two school aged children in Eltham, South London. The main area used for childminding is the downstairs of the property. There is a fully enclosed garden for outside play.

The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She may care for a maximum of six children under eight years at any one time, of these no more than three may be in the early years age range. At the time of this inspection there were no children on roll in the early years age group. She also offers care to children aged over five years to 11 years.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

Through discussion, the childminder demonstrates a clear understanding of her responsibility to protect children and is confident about issues that would cause her concern. She takes action to minimise risks inside and outside her home so children can play safely. She maintains a current first aid certificate so she can act appropriately in the event of an accident. She demonstrates through discussion a good understanding of the need to evaluate her service to improve her practice and outcomes for children. The childminder has attended training on safeguarding, communicating with children about concerns and e-safety, keeping children safe online, to help keep her knowledge of current childcare practice up to date.

Resources are easily accessible in units to support children's self-selection and promote their independence. The range of resources and posters such as 'welcome' and 'always wash your hands' positively reflect diversity, which enables the childminder to promote children's awareness of the world around them.

The childminder explains how she develops positive relationships with parents, seeking information on children's culture and background from them so she can plan for the children's differing needs. She describes what information she records in a daily notebook to keep parents informed about their child's day. The childminder is aware of the need to work in partnership with any other settings if the need arises.

The childminder has a clear knowledge of the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage. Through discussion, she explains the importance of observing children at play to plan for their interests and needs. She describes how she supports children's learning through a range of play experiences, taking the lead from the child's personal interests and fitting these into the routine of the day. The childminder explains how she strives to promote healthy lifestyles discussing regular trips to the local parks to enhance physical development and teach the

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children about personal hygiene through their normal daily routines.

Compliance with registration requirements

The registered person continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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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