

## 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 registered in 1994. She lives with her four teenage children, on the outskirts of the village of Westerleigh, Bristol. The ground floor of the childminder's house is used for childminding and there is a fully enclosed garden for outside play. The family has pet dogs and fish.

The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and the voluntary and compulsory parts of the Childcare Register. She is registered to care for a maximum of five children under eight years at any one time; of these no more than three children may be in the early years age range. The childminder is registered to care for two children overnight. There were no children on roll at the time of the inspection.

## The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder demonstrates suitable knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements for the Early Years Foundation Stage framework. Appropriate documentation securely underpins her practice. Through discussion, the childminder shows a clear understanding of how to meet the individual care, learning and development needs of children. She offers clear examples of how she will plan learning and development activities for children taking into account their different ages and stages of development and supporting their individual needs. She knows how to maintain records of observations made of children's achievements and use these to plan next learning and track children's progress. The childminder explains how she adapts her home to provide suitable play space and resources to meet the needs of children. She describes how to plan a range of enjoyable and interesting activities to promote development in all areas. She uses trips and outings in the local community and further afield to develop children's understanding of diversity and how others live. The childminder is aware of the importance of building working relationships with parents and others involved in the care of the children. She demonstrates a clear understanding of how to promote children's health, by providing a healthy lifestyle, reflecting home routines. She understands the need to encourage children to gain independent hygiene skills and establishing sensible routines. The childminder says she manages children's behaviour appropriately using positive reinforcement to promote desired behaviours. She helps children learn how their actions may impact on others and to understand and value different people and their lives. She will identify the needs of individual children through discussion with parents. The childminder has a current knowledge of the South Gloucestershire Local Safeguarding Children Board procedures. She has knowledge of the action to take should she have concerns about a child and understands the need to make risk assessments of all aspects of her practice. The childminder has addressed all recommendations from her previous inspection and this has improved children's safety at the premises. She keeps her knowledge current through attending relevant training and by evaluating her practice. This demonstrates her commitment to maintaining continuous improvements.

## **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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