

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 registered in 2011. She lives with her two young children in a first floor flat in Ilford, Essex. The whole of the flat is used for childminding. An enclosed garden is not available for outside play. The family home is accessible via a lift.

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 four children under eight years, of whom two children may be in the early years age group. At the time of the inspection, there were no children on roll in the early years age group.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder demonstrates a sound awareness of safeguarding issues and procedures to promote children's welfare. She has guidance in place to enable her to act should she have a concern about a child. The childminder's home is seen to be safe and secure. She has appropriate safety measures in place to promote children's well-being, such as the use of safety gates. The childminder has a valid first aid certificate, in order to provide first aid treatment if necessary.

The childminder demonstrates a satisfactory understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage framework. She shares appropriate systems for observation and assessments to enable her to plan and track children's progress. An initial assessments record enables parents to share what children can do when they start. This helps the childminder to build on what children already know. From discussion, the childminder is aware of the importance of building positive relationships with both parents and others to support children's learning.

The childminder has addressed the action and recommendations made at the last inspection. For example, she talks about how she would promote children's good health through practical hygiene routines. She explains that she is fully aware of her responsibilities regarding the supervision of children. Since the last inspection the childminder shares that she has attended a number of courses to promote positive outcomes for children. These include child protection, managing children's behaviour, and observing assessing and planning. There are appropriate processes in place for self-evaluation. The childminder is developing a culture of reflective practice to promote and embed positive outcomes for children. For example, she is working towards attending relevant courses and developing her resources. She demonstrates a sound capacity to maintain continuous improvement. The childminder explains that all children would be valued and respected as individuals. She shares the records she uses to obtain information about children's individual needs and background. This helps promote equality and an inclusive environment.

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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