

Inspection date	06/12/2013
Previous inspection date	20/10/2009

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Not Met
	Previous inspection:	2

The quality and standards of the early years provision

The provision does not meet requirements

- The childminder has acted as 'Childcare on domestic premises' and she is not registered to do so. This is an offence.
- The childminder does not meet all the safeguarding and welfare requirements to support children's welfare and learning. She has not updated the contents of her first aid box and items are out of date.
- The childminder is unclear about referral procedures if there are concerns about children or if allegations are made against those she employs, and she does not ensure assistants understand her safeguarding policy. As a result, they do not all demonstrate a secure knowledge of how to protect children's welfare.
- The childminder has a suitable range of resources to support children to make progress in their learning. However, there is no key person system when assistants and other childminders are used to ensure children's individual needs are met effectively. She does not effectively evaluate her provision to enable continuous improvement.
- The childminder has appropriate methods to support children to develop healthy lifestyles, such as healthy eating and using appropriate hygiene routines.

Information about this inspection

Inspections of registered early years provision are:

- scheduled at least once in every inspection cycle – the current cycle ends on 31 July 2016
- scheduled more frequently where Ofsted identifies a need to do so, for example where provision was previously judged inadequate
- brought forward in the inspection cycle where Ofsted has received information that suggests the provision may not be meeting the legal requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage or where assessment of the provision identifies a need for early inspection
- prioritised where we have received information that the provision is not meeting the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage and which suggests children may not be safe
- scheduled at the completion of an investigation into failure to comply with the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

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 whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Inspection activities

- This was an unannounced inspection; the inspector liaised with Ofsted during the visit by telephone and carried out this 'no children on roll' inspection after the session run by one of her co-childminders had finished.
- The childminder gave the inspector a tour of the areas used by minded children and showed some of the stored resources.
- The inspector viewed samples of the available documentation, such as children's records and the rota for co-childminders and assistants.
- The inspector had discussions with the childminder during the inspection.

Inspector

Helen Steven

Full report

Information about the setting

The childminder registered in June 2003. She lives with her husband and two children in Edgware within the London borough of Barnet. There is a dedicated playroom, a dining area, lounge and toilet on the ground floor available for childminding. There is an enclosed garden available for outside play.

The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register. She employs two other registered childminders and four assistants who each work different mornings every week. The childminder does not work on a day-to-day basis, only providing cover when one of the other childminders or assistant is unavailable. Therefore, the childminder has no children on roll because when the other childminders are operational at the premises they are accountable for the assistants working with them and the children in their care. Each childminder is registered individually and as they are not registered collectively as childcare on domestic premises there can only be three adults working together at any one time of which one must be a registered childminder. Together they offer care for up to nine children in the early years age range between the hours of 9am until 12 noon, each weekday during term time only.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

To meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage the provider must:

- strengthen procedures to ensure that Ofsted are informed of all adults working in the premises to enable required checks to be carried out
- improve safeguarding of children by strengthening knowledge of referral procedures and include the procedure to follow in the event of an allegation to be made about an assistant in the safeguarding policy
- improve the induction procedure for assistants to include safeguarding issues
- update and maintain the first aid box to ensure it contains appropriate content to meet the needs of children in the event of an accident
- develop a key person system to ensure children's individual needs are met effectively and inform parents and/or carers of the name of the key person, and explain their role, when a child starts attending the setting
- develop the process of self-evaluation in order to identify strengths and priorities for development and how they will improve outcomes for children

What inspection judgements mean

Registered early years provision

Grade	Judgement	Description
Grade 1	Outstanding	Outstanding provision is highly effective in meeting the needs of all children exceptionally well. This ensures that children are very well prepared for the next stage of their learning.
Grade 2	Good	Good provision is effective in delivering provision that meets the needs of all children well. This ensures children are ready for the next stage of their learning.
Grade 3	Requires improvement	The provision is not giving children a good standard of early years education and/or there are minor breaches of the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. It will be monitored and inspected within twelve months of the date of this inspection.
Grade 4	Inadequate	Provision that is inadequate requires significant improvement and/or enforcement action. The provision is failing to give children an acceptable standard of early years education and/or is not meeting the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. It will be monitored and inspected again within six months of the date of this inspection.
Met		The provision has no children on roll. The inspection judgement is that the provider continues to meet the requirements for registration.
Not met		The provision has no children on roll. The inspection judgement is that the provider does not meet the requirements for registration.

Inspection

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY251902
Local authority	Barnet
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Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 5
Total number of places	9
Number of children on roll	0
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	20/10/2009
Telephone number	

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and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. They are registered on the Early Years Register and pay the lower fee for registration.

Childminders care for one or more children where individual children attend for a period of more than two hours in any one day. They operate from domestic premises, which are usually the childminder's own home. They are registered on the Early Years Register and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Out of school provision may be sessional or full-time provision and is delivered before or after school and/or in the summer holidays. They are registered on the Early Years Register and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. Where children receive their Early Years Foundation Stage in school these providers do not have to deliver the learning and development requirements in full but should complement the experiences children receive in school.

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