

Inspection date 14/05/2014 Previous inspection date 21/01/2009

The quality and standards of the early years provision

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The provision meets requirements

- The childminder demonstrates a suitable understanding of how children learn through their play. She explains how she would observe and assess children's progress from their starting points, to ensure they make progress within all areas of learning.
- A selection of suitable resources are available at the childminder's home for children to access. She details how she will provide enjoyable activities and experiences for children to participate in, which will meet their individual needs.
- The childminder's home provides a safe, secure and welcoming environment for children. She is aware of how to protect children from harm during visits outside of the home and she uses appropriate safety equipment depending on the age of children in her care. This ensures any areas used by children are safe and suitable.
- The childminder has renewed her training in paediatric first aid, which enables her to support children's well-being. She demonstrates a suitable knowledge of how to care for children if they become unwell in her care. Appropriate policies and procedures are in place for the recording of accidents and the administration of medicines to meet current requirements.
- The childminder demonstrates a clear understanding of the procedures to follow should she have any concerns regarding children's welfare. She has a good knowledge of how to protect children from potential harm. A detailed written safeguarding policy is in place, which is shared with parents and carers.
- The childminder is aware of the benefits of working in partnership with parents and other providers to ensure each child is respected in line with their individual needs. This will enable children to feel emotionally secure in her care. The childminder plans to share relevant information with parents and other providers to promote continuity of care and learning for each child.

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.

The provision is also registered on the voluntary and compulsory parts of the Childcare Register. This report includes a judgment about compliance with the requirements of that register.

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed with the provider how they intend to deliver the educational programmes for children.
- The inspector looked at policies and documents the provider will use when caring for children.
- The inspector discussed with the provider their self-evaluation form and improvement plan.
- The inspector looked at all areas of the premises that will be used when caring for children to ensure they are safe and suitable for children's use.
- The inspector checked evidence of suitability of the childminder and people living in the home.

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Inspector

Wendy Dockerty

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Information about the setting

The childminder was registered in 2008 and is on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She lives with her husband and two children aged ten and twelve years in a house in Penketh, Warrington. The whole of the ground floor and the rear garden are used for childminding. The family has a dog and two cats as pets. The childminder attends a toddler group and activities at the local children's centre. She visits the shops and park on a regular basis. She collects children from the local schools and pre-schools. There are currently seven children on roll, who attend after school only and are all over the age of five. There are currently no children on roll within the early years age group and there were no children present during the inspection. The childminder operates all year round, Monday to Friday, except bank holidays and family holidays. She is a member of the Professional Association for Childcare and Early Years.

The Childcare Register

The requirements for the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are

The requirements for the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are

Met

Met

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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.

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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

EY376997 **Unique reference number** Local authority Warrington **Inspection number** 878740 Type of provision Childminder **Registration category** Childminder 0 - 17Age range of children **Total number of places** 6 7 Number of children on roll Name of provider **Date of previous inspection** 21/01/2009 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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