

Inspection date	06/06/2014
Previous inspection date	16/02/2009

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Met
	Previous inspection:	3

The quality and standards of the early years provision

The provision meets requirements

- The childminder demonstrates that she is able to meet the learning and development requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She has a secure understanding of the ways in which young children learn. Consequently, she describes how she intends to provide suitable resources and planned purposeful experiences to help children to make progress.
- The childminder has a range of supporting documentation to assist her in making observations and assessments of children's starting points. She has a range of formal assessment methods ready to enable her to complete the progress check for children between the ages of two and three years.
- The childminder has appropriate methods to support children to develop healthy lifestyles. These include promoting healthy eating, regular outdoor experiences and good hygiene practices. She holds a valid first-aid certificate and relevant documentation, such as medication and accident records, are in place.
- The childminder demonstrates a secure understanding of the typical signs and symptoms of abuse. She demonstrates through discussion her ability to identify concerns and respond appropriately, following the guidance set by the Local Safeguarding Children Board.
- The childminder evaluates her provision and demonstrates her commitment to improving practice as she has successfully met all recommendations set at the last inspection. She has a positive attitude to working in partnership with parents and other professionals as required.

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 looked at the areas intended to be used for childminding, including the outdoor area and held discussions in relation to health and safety.
The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the
- safeguarding and welfare requirements and the learning and development requirements.
The inspector looked at and discussed a sample of policies and procedures,
- including the safeguarding policy and risk assessment procedures. Evidence to confirm the suitability of the childminder was also checked.
The inspector discussed the process of self-evaluation, including establishing
- whether previous recommendations had been addressed appropriately and plans for further improvements.

Inspector

Hilary Boyd

Full report

Information about the setting

The childminder was registered in 2008 on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She lives with her three children aged 11 months, eight years and 11 years in a house in Warton, an area of Preston. The whole of the ground floor, which includes a downstairs bathroom and rear garden, are used for childminding. The childminder has two cats as family pets. She collects children from the local schools and attends parent and toddler groups on a regular basis. The childminder operates all year round from 8am to 5.30pm, Monday to Friday, except bank holidays and family holidays. She is a member of the Professional Association for Childcare and Early Years. At the time that the inspection was carried out, there were no children on roll.

The Childcare Register

The requirements for the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are	Met
The requirements for the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are	Met

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	EY377206
Local authority	Lancashire
Inspection number	878744
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 17
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	16/02/2009
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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