

Inspection date	05/08/2014
Previous inspection date	05/10/2009

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

- Following a recent visit by Ofsted, the childminder received a notice to improve to ensure that all furniture, equipment and toys are safe and appropriate for children to use and access, particularly in relation to the outdoor area. The childminder has completed a thorough risk assessment of outdoor equipment and removed all potential hazards to children to ensure their safety.
- In addition, the provider was asked to keep an accurate daily record of the names of the children being cared for, including their hours of attendance, specifically their arrival and departure times. The childminder provided appropriate documentation showing the accurate hours of minded children's attendance. This underpins children's safety.
- The childminder has a suitable knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She plans a wide range of activities and experiences that are tailored to meet children's individual needs.
- The childminder suitably describes how she promotes children's health and well-being. Individualised settling-in sessions support children while they are settling. She provides healthy meals, she plans a suitable range of outdoor activities and has appropriate sleeping arrangements for children who need to rest.
- The childminder demonstrates she understands the importance of working in partnership with parents to support children's learning. For example, she has implemented numerous ways of ensuring parents feel involved, such as daily diaries and termly progress reports. This promotes a two-way flow of information.
- The childminder has a secure knowledge of safeguarding children. She is aware of the possible indicators of abuse and how to proceed should she have any concerns regarding the welfare of any child in her care.

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 present 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 present, 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 had a tour of the premises that are used for childminding purposes.
- The inspector and the childminder discussed and looked at toys, books, resources and equipment that she provides for children.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she delivers the educational programme for children.
- The inspector looked at policies and documents the childminder uses when caring for children and discussed her self-evaluation and improvement plans.

Inspector

Karen McWilliam

Full report

Information about the setting

The childminder was registered in 2006 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 six and nine years in a house in the Ardwick area of Manchester. The whole of the ground floor, bathroom on the first floor and the rear garden are used for childminding. She visits the shops, library and park on a regular basis. The childminder collects children from the local schools and pre-schools. There are currently two children on roll, one of whom is in the early years age group and children attend for a variety of sessions. She operates all year round from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, during term-time only. The childminder is a member of the Professional Association for Childcare and Early Years. There were no children present during this inspection.

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. We re-inspect nurseries and pre-schools judged as requires improvement within 12 months of the date of 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		There were no children present at the time of the inspection. The inspection judgement is that the provider continues to meet the requirements for registration.
Not met		There were no children present at the time of the inspection. 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	EY332568
Local authority	Manchester
Inspection number	984309
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 17
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	2
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	05/10/2009
Telephone number	

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Sessional provision operates for more than two hours but does not exceed three hours in any one day. These are usually known as pre-schools, kindergartens or nursery schools

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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