

Inspection date 10/09/2014 Previous inspection date 24/02/2009

The quality and standards of the early years provision

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The provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a secure knowledge of child protection procedures, in line with those of the Local Safeguarding Children Board. Written policies are in place and she fully understands her responsibility to protect the welfare of the children in her care.
- The childminder has a good understanding of the learning and development requirements. She is aware of the different ways in which children learn and the requirement to undertake a progress check for children aged between two and three years.
- The childminder demonstrates how she monitors and evaluates the quality of her provision in order to continue to secure and maintain improvement. She understands the need to attend training and seeks support from the local authority and other providers.
- The childminder demonstrates an appropriate understanding of the importance of working in partnership with parents and carers to support children's learning and development and ensure that their care needs are met.
- The childminder provides an interesting and stimulating learning environment, both indoors and outdoors. A good selection of resources is accessible in order to enable children to choose independently and make decisions in their play.
- The childminder understands how to promote children's well-being. She demonstrates that she provides them with healthy and nutritious snacks and daily opportunities for fresh air and exercise.

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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 toured the areas of the premises where childcare is provided.
- The inspector checked evidence of suitability and training of the childminder and suitability of other household members.
- The inspector discussed with the provider how she intends to deliver the educational programme for children.
- The inspector discussed and looked at resources and equipment that she intends to use.

Inspector

Lesley Bott

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Full report

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 18 and 14 years, in a house in the Willaston area of Nantwich. The whole of the ground floor, a bathroom on the first floor, the rear garden and a large garden cabin are used for childminding. The family has two dogs and one cat as pets. The childminder operates all year round, from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except bank holidays and family holidays. There were no children on roll in the early years age range at the time of the 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

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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. 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.

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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

Unique reference number EY382425

Local authority Cheshire East

Inspection number 858752

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 24/02/2009

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

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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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