

Inspection date 01/12/2014 Previous inspection date 01/05/2014

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This inspection:

Met
Previous inspection:

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The provision meets requirements

- At the last inspection by Ofsted, the childminder received some actions to improve and a further monitoring visit took place. The childminder has worked hard to successfully address the issues raised to further enhance children's learning.
- The childminder makes improvements to her provision and practice by up-dating her knowledge. She regularly reads the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage and reflects on what she needs to do. Therefore, she demonstrates some capacity to improve to benefit the children's care, welfare and learning.
- The childminder has many years of experience in working with children. She has a suitable understanding of child development and knows how to provide fun activities to promote children's learning through play.
- The childminder demonstrates a suitable understanding of the importance of working in partnership with parents. She exchanges information with them on a regular basis to provide continuity in children's learning.
- The childminder has a sound knowledge of child protection and complaints procedures and understands her responsibility of how to protect the welfare of the children in her care. Therefore, children are sufficiently safeguarded. However, she does not give copies of her safeguarding policy and complaints policies to parents, which is a breach of the Childcare Register requirements.
- The childminder has a satisfactory knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She demonstrates how she can provide appropriate activities and play opportunities that cover the seven areas of learning.

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 checked evidence of the suitability of the childminder.
 - The inspector discussed with the childminder how they intend to deliver the
- educational programmes for children and undertake observation, assessment and planning.
- The inspector had a tour of the premises and viewed toys, resources and equipment that are to be used for childminding.
- The inspector viewed the childminder's improvement plan, training certificates, previous children's learning journals and various other documentation.

Inspector

Shirley Peart

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Full report

Information about the setting

The childminder was registered in 1999 and is on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She lives in the West Denton area of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. The ground floor of the childminder's house is used for childminding. Children do not have access to the garden. The childminder has two pet dogs, a large fish tank and a budgerigar. The childminder visits the local shops and park on a regular basis and collects children from the local schools. There are currently three children on roll, none of whom are in the early years age group. The childminder operates all year round, from 6.30am to 6.30pm, Monday to Friday, except for family holidays.

The Childcare Register

The requirements for the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are	Not Met (with actions)
The requirements for the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are	Not Met (with actions)

To meet the requirements of the Childcare Register the provider must:

- make the following information available to parents: copies of the written statements of safeguarding procedures and complaints procedures (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)
- make the following information available to parents: copies of the written statements of safeguarding procedures and complaints procedures (voluntary part of the Childcare Register)

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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	318875
Local authority	Newcastle
Inspection number	977613
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 17
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	3
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	16/05/2014
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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