

Inspection date

02/01/2015

Previous inspection date

Not Applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This inspection:

Met

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The provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a good understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She has systems to observe and assess children's learning in order to plan activities that are interesting and challenging to promote children's development.
- The childminder understands the importance of providing a safe environment that prompts children's well-being. She will carry out daily safety checks, and regular risk assessments to minimise hazards to children in the home and while on outings.
- The childminder has a good understand how to safeguard children, and has attended appropriate training. She has clear procedures in place to follow should she have any concerns regarding the welfare of a child in her care.
- The childminder demonstrates through discussion that she is aware of the importance of sharing information with parents, carers and other providers to support children's learning and development.
- The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of how to promote children to develop healthy lifestyle. For example, promoting healthy eating and regular access to the outdoors. The childminder holds a valid first aid certificate.

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 discussed with the childminder how she will plan activities to meet the individual needs of children
- The inspector viewed a selection of policies and procedures the childminder will use when caring for children.
- The inspector looked at all areas of the home that will be used for childminding, including the outdoor area and available resources.
- The inspector checked evidence of suitability of all adults living in the home.

Inspector

Nicola Jones

Full report

Information about the setting

The childminder registered in 2011 on the Early Years Register and compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She lives with her husband and two children in Minster on sea. The whole of the ground floor and enclosed garden area are used for childminding. At the time of the inspection there were no children on roll in the early year's age range. The childminder is able to support children with special educational needs and/or disabilities, as well as children who speak English as an additional language.

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	EY424734
Local authority	Kent
Inspection number	890601
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	4
Number of children on roll	0
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	not applicable
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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