

**Inspection date**

28 January 2015

Previous inspection date

17 September 2009

<b>The quality and standards of the early years provision</b>	<b>This inspection:</b>	<b>Outstanding</b>	<b>1</b>
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend		Outstanding	1
The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children		Outstanding	1
The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision		Outstanding	1
The setting <b>meets legal requirements for early years settings</b>			

## Summary of key findings for parents

### This provision is outstanding

- Children's individual health needs are exceptionally well met due to the excellent two-way flow of information the childminder establishes with parents.
- The childminder skilfully uses her exceptional knowledge of children's development to reduce gaps in their learning and help them make outstanding progress.
- The childminder provides children with exceptional individual support and supervision that keeps them safe.
- The childminder constantly evaluates her service, and introduces new initiatives and resources that significantly improve her provision and children's care and learning.
- Children are provided with an exceptional range of indoor and outdoor activities and resources that motivate them during their play and develop their independence.

## What the setting needs to do to improve further

**To further improve the quality of the early years provision the provider should:**

- consider making a wider range of media easily accessible to further promote children's sensory development.

## Inspection activities

- The inspector observed indoor activities in the childminder's home.
- The inspector talked with the childminder and children at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The inspector looked at a sample of documentation, including children's developmental records, and discussed her self-evaluation process.
- The inspector took account of parents' comments within documentation.

## Inspector

Catherine Greenwood

## Inspection findings

### **How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend. This is outstanding**

The childminder provides children with an excellent range of experiences. She joins in children's play and constantly focuses on helping them learn to use the resources successfully. Consequently, children develop the skills they need for their future learning and starting school. In conjunction with parents, the childminder is currently learning sign language with children during weekly outings to a signing group. This successfully promotes children's ability to communicate as they also begin to use the signs. Children can ask to use media resources to develop their creative and sensory skills. The childminder successfully reduces any gaps in children's development. This is due to her excellent knowledge of children's individual needs and her commitment to working with parents and other agencies to help them reach expected levels of development.

### **The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children is outstanding**

The childminder fully embraces children's enthusiasm to try things for themselves. Consequently, children show exceptional independence and determination during their play. Children's individual health needs are extremely well met due to the childminder's excellent communication with parents. There is an excellent range of resources that promote children's physical development and provide them with safe challenges. For example, the childminder has an exercise room in her home with children's 'gym equipment' in. The childminder patiently provides children with exceptional individual help during their play. The childminder and her assistant form very close bonds with children. Consequently, they feel fully valued and included, which promotes their emotional well-being.

### **The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision is outstanding**

The childminder has an excellent knowledge and understanding of child protection procedures, and knows what action to take to safeguard children's welfare. She is exceptionally vigilant about supervising children at all times as they play to keep them safe. The childminder fully understands and meets the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She works extremely effectively with her assistant to share the care and safety of the children. Since the last inspection, the childminder has met all the recommendations raised, and attended training that has significantly developed her ability to evaluate her provision and make continuous improvement. As a result, she has greatly improved how she monitors children's progress and promotes their next steps for learning. The childminder's partnership with parents, other agencies and teachers in schools is excellent. The friendly and professional relationship she establishes means parents feel confident to share any concerns about their children's health and developmental needs.

## Setting details

<b>Unique reference number</b>	EY256286
<b>Local authority</b>	Surrey
<b>Inspection number</b>	833108
<b>Type of provision</b>	Childminder
<b>Registration category</b>	Childminder
<b>Age range of children</b>	0 - 8
<b>Total number of places</b>	12
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	9
<b>Name of provider</b>	
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	17 September 2009
<b>Telephone number</b>	

The childminder registered in 2003. She lives with her husband and two children in Haslemere, Surrey. The childminder cares for children five days a week, for most of the year. She mainly uses the downstairs areas of her home and garden for childminding purposes. On some days, the childminder works with her husband who is registered as her assistant. She holds a level 3 qualification in Childminding Practice.

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