

Inspection date	26 February 2015
Previous inspection date	21 March 2011

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Met	
	Previous inspection:	Satisfactory	3
The setting meets legal requirements for early years settings			

Summary of key findings for parents

The provision meets requirements

- The childminder demonstrates that she is aware of the Early Years Foundation Stage learning and development, and assessment requirements. She identifies guidance documents that she will consult to aid her in ensuring that children are challenged successfully so that they make progress.
- The childminder provides suitable resources that meet the needs of children at different stages of development.
- The childminder successfully identifies and minimises risks in her home. She demonstrates a sound knowledge of what would cause her concern and her responsibilities to protect children from abuse and neglect.
- Detail on the service provided for parents and children is identified in a range of policies and procedures. Documentation that parents are initially asked to complete includes clear detail on children's care needs.
- The childminder explains that a gradual introduction into her care addresses the emotional security of early years children.
- The childminder seeks advice from representatives of the local authority and from other childminders, in order to review and improve her provision.
- The childminder is able to address children's welfare needs because she keeps her first-aid and safeguarding knowledge up to date.

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.

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she will meet early years children's care and learning needs.
- The inspector looked at a selection of policies and procedures, records being kept by the childminder for children aged over five years, and a range of other documentation.
- The inspector observed areas of the home that are used for childminding.
- The inspector looked at the childminder's training certificates and checked evidence of suitability for all adults in the household.

Inspector

Jan Burnet

Setting details

Unique reference number	221362
Local authority	Northamptonshire
Inspection number	876352
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 17
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	11
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	21 March 2011
Telephone number	

The childminder was registered in 1994. She lives in Flore, near Northampton. The childminder operates all year round, Monday to Friday, from 8am to 5.30pm, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

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