

Inspection date	13 March 2015
Previous inspection date	31 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 has a secure understanding of her role and responsibilities for safeguarding. She follows effective procedures to protect children should she have any concerns regarding a child in her care.
- The childminder provides a suitable range of resources to help support children's learning. All areas used by children are clean, safe and secure. This is because the childminder regularly checks that her home is free from any hazards.
- The childminder has a clear understanding of the importance of working in partnership with parents and carers. She has informative policies and procedures to help parents know how her provision is run.
- The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage learning and development requirements. She knows how to observe and assess children's learning in order to plan activities that will provide suitable challenge and encourage children's continuing development.
- The childminder talks about effective methods for engaging parents and encouraging them to share what they know about their child. She recognises the importance of finding out about children's care routines when children start attending and explains the sound practices she will adopt to keep parents informed of children's achievements.
- The childminder demonstrates a positive attitude towards the continuous improvement of her provision to improve outcomes for children.
- The childminder has a suitable understanding of how to deliver the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. All documentation, to ensure the smooth running of her childminding service and to effectively safeguard all children, is in place. For example, the childminder holds a current first-aid certificate and public liability insurance.
- The childminder has a clear understanding of how to promote children's good health. She explains how she would teach children the importance of good hygiene through daily routines and provide everyday opportunities for them to have physical exercise and fresh air.

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 looked at the areas used for childminding, including the outdoor area and held discussions in relation to health and safety.
- The inspector spoke with the childminder about her understanding of the educational programmes and viewed the range of toys, equipment and resources that is available for children in the early years age group.
- The inspector looked at, and discussed, a range of records, policies and procedures that the childminder has in place when caring for children.
- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability and qualifications of the childminder.

Inspector

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Setting details

Unique reference number	300043
Local authority	Sheffield
Inspection number	876623
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 17
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	4
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	31 March 2011
Telephone number	

The childminder was registered in 1994 and lives in Stannington, Sheffield. She operates all year round from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except bank holidays and family holidays.

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