

<b>Inspection date</b>	17 March 2015
Previous inspection date	3 May 2012

<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

- The childminder is experienced and professional and organises her practice exceptionally well. She has an excellent understanding of the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.
- The childminder dedicates her time to children, ensuring they have the best possible opportunities to develop. Children thrive in her care as their individual needs are met to a high standard.
- The childminder has an outstanding, extensive variety of toys and resources and maintains a highly stimulating environment for children. Children's behaviour is exemplary because they are actively occupied and stimulated with play resources that interest them.
- Partnerships with parents are excellent. The childminder keeps parents fully informed and involved with their child's development. Children benefit significantly from the highly effective communication between their main carers, which promotes a joined-up approach to meeting their needs.
- The childminder has an excellent understanding of safeguarding procedures. She maintains a safe environment for children and detailed documentation to underpin her practice in keeping children safe.
- Children's well-being is extremely well supported by the childminder. The strong bonds children have with the childminder give them the emotional security and confidence to be independent learners.
- The childminder is highly motivated to continually develop her practice to maintain high standards for children. She recognises the value of continuing with her own professional development to enable her to improve further outcomes for children.

## **What the setting needs to do to improve further**

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

- continue with professional development to strengthen further knowledge and understanding of the areas of learning to enhance future practice.

## **Inspection activities**

- The inspector observed children's play indoors and outside.
- The inspector sampled the childminder's documentation.
- The inspector discussed the childminder's practice with her.
- The inspector viewed all areas used by children.
- The inspector took into account the written views of parents.

## **Inspector**

Cathy Hill

## Inspection findings

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

The childminder has excellent systems to monitor and track children's development, and assessment is ongoing and sharply focussed. Children make rapid progress because the childminder has a thorough understanding of their unique learning needs. She makes maximum use of opportunities as they arise to challenge and extend children's learning. The childminder takes note of children's interests and builds teaching into activities they enjoy. Children show a strong motivation to learn as they excitedly get ready to paint pictures. They demonstrate excellent coordination and physical skills as they play with trains and stand them precisely in a line. The childminder continually develops children's vocabulary as she names toys they play with. She encourages children to count and identify shapes they find hidden in jelly. Children have great fun playing with musical instruments and enthusiastically match actions to words in rhymes, understanding when to be still and when to move energetically.

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

The childminder provides children with an exceptionally welcoming and nurturing environment. Children are extremely happy in her care and smile and giggle as they play, showing they are totally relaxed and enjoying themselves. The childminder's genuine praise and encouragement continually boosts their self-esteem. Children take responsibility for themselves and their environment, as they independently put their shoes on ready for outdoor play and help tidy resources away. Children develop an excellent understanding of health and safety practices. They wash their hands before eating, enjoy healthy snacks and have daily opportunities for play in the fresh air. Children show their understanding of safety as they securely support themselves, for example, when climbing the steps on the slide.

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

Children have a fantastic time at the childminder's. She provides them with an extensive variety of activities within and outside the home, which promote learning in all areas. Children are exceptionally well prepared for their next stages in learning as the childminder's enthusiasm instils in them a thirst for learning through play. Parents comment highly on the childminder's service stating that it is, 'wonderful, consistent and invaluable'. The childminder has completed a comprehensively detailed evaluation of her practice to identify areas for further improvement. She is proactive in making improvements to her provision, such as the introduction of a new system to record children's development, and fully understands the benefits of ongoing training in improving her practice even further.

## Setting details

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<b>Local authority</b>	Surrey
<b>Inspection number</b>	835274
<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>	6
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	7
<b>Name of provider</b>	
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	3 May 2012
<b>Telephone number</b>	

The childminder registered in 2007. She lives in Ash Vale, Hampshire. The childminder works Monday to Friday, for most of the year.

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