

Inspection date30 March 2015Previous inspection date5 January 2009

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This inspection:

Previous inspection:

Good

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The setting meets legal requirements for early years settings

Summary of key findings for parents

The provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a good understanding of how to recognise and respond to signs of abuse. She has systems in place to provide parents with all required policies and procedures. This demonstrates her understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements and her ability to safeguard children, should they be at risk of harm.
- The childminder understands her responsibilities with regards to promoting children's health and well-being. She has good emergency evacuation procedures in place and has conducted relevant risk assessments of her home, to manage any potential hazards. She also has a current paediatric first-aid certificate.
- The childminder appreciates how relationships with parents and other settings are supported through effective communication. She has systems in place to find out important information from parents about their children's interests, in order to provide continuity in their care and complement what children already know and can do.
- The childminder recognises the importance of building appropriate relationships with children to promote their emotional well-being and reinforce their self-confidence.
- The childminder has considered how she will promote play through available toys and resources, and has reflected how children will access them easily.
- The childminder demonstrates satisfactory knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements. She is familiar with the process of observing children to assess their individual needs and identify the next steps in their learning. This includes the importance of carrying out the progress check for children between the ages of two and three years.
- The childminder demonstrates a passionate and committed approach to her work with children. She actively seeks advice and guidance from the local authority advisor and other local childcare professionals, in order to improve outcomes for children.

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.

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Inspection activities

■ The inspector looked at policies, documents and risk assessments the childminder will use when caring for children.

- The inspector observed areas to be used for the care of children and discussed equipment and toys that are to be used for childminding.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the educational programmes for children and undertake observation, assessment and planning.
- The inspector checked evidence of suitability of the childminder and family members, including records of qualifications and training.
- The inspector looked at evidence of self-evaluation, including the views of the parents of older children, from contributions made in documentation.

Inspector

Kim Barker

Setting details

Unique reference number EY231650

Local authority Sandwell

Inspection number 869947

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 5 January 2009

Telephone number

The childminder was registered in 2002 and lives in the Sandwell area of Birmingham. She operates all year round, from 7.30am until 6.30pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder works with her husband, who is also a registered childminder.

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