

Childminder Report

Inspection date

27 April 2015

Previous inspection date

19 November 2014

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Requires improvement	3
	Previous inspection:	Inadequate	4
How well the early years provision meets the needs of the range of children who attend		Good	2
The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children		Requires improvement	3
The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision		Requires improvement	3
The setting does not meet legal requirements for early years settings			

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision requires improvement. It is not yet good because:

- The childminder demonstrates an insufficient understanding of the signs and symptoms of abuse to promote children's welfare effectively. This is also a breach of the Childcare Register requirements.
- The childminder does not always allow children to play with activities for a period of time to support their learning before moving them on to the next activity, which disrupts their play.

It has the following strengths

- The childminder has developed positive relationships with children to allow them to have a strong sense belonging.
- The childminder plans a range of activities and topics to support and extend children's learning.
- The childminder has effective processes for observations and assessments to help her monitor children's progress and achievements accurately.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

To meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage the provider must:

- develop knowledge and understanding of the signs and symptoms of abuse to protect children from harm and promote their welfare.

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

- provide opportunities for children to have uninterrupted time to play with the activities on offer to support their interests and learning effectively.

To meet the requirements of the Childcare Register the provider must:

- improve knowledge of child protection issues and procedures to safeguard children from harm (compulsory part of the Childcare Register)
- improve knowledge of child protection issues and procedures to safeguard children from harm (voluntary part of the Childcare Register).

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the childminder's interactions with children.
- The inspector sampled documents, including policies and procedures, and children's records.
- The inspector held ongoing discussions with the childminder regarding her practice
- The inspector discussed with the childminder her processes for self-evaluation.

Inspector

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Inspection findings

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

Children enjoy their time with the childminder. She engages well in children's play to support their learning and development. Children are confident talkers and they happily seek the childminder's attention to show her their creations. For example, while playing with construction toys, children show the childminder their 'house for mummy'. The childminder undertakes systematic observations and assessments so that she is able to set realistic targets to support children's individual needs and challenge their learning. She plans a range of outdoor experiences so that children can explore and support their learning about growth. However, the childminder does not always give children sufficient time to explore and play with activities to support their learning before encouraging them to move on to another activity. This hinders their learning experiences as they are not always able to build their concentration. The childminder provides good opportunities to support children's creativity and imagination. For example, children benefit from acting out real-life situations while playing with the doctor's kit and work bench.

The contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children requires improvement

The childminder provides a family environment. Children are polite and the childminder provides gentle reminders to encourage children to share with their friends. The childminder makes effective use of outdoor play experiences to extend children's play and learning. They benefit from visiting a number of places of interest, for example, the local city farm and community groups. The childminder promotes children's good health because she ensures that children receive healthy snacks, which mainly consist of a range of fruits. This helps children to learn about foods that are good for them. The childminder encourages children to learn how to keep themselves safe on outings through road safety awareness.

The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the early years provision requires improvement

The childminder is aware of the procedures to follow should she have a concern about a child. However, she demonstrates an insufficient understanding of the signs and symptoms of abuse to promote children's welfare effectively. This puts children at risk. The childminder has addressed recommendations from the last inspection, which demonstrates a capacity to maintain continuous improvement. Through practical situations, the childminder asks children questions to promote their communication and language development, and she provides resources so that children learn how things work. Relevant documentation is maintained to promote children's well-being, for example, children's attendance and medication records. The childminder fosters sound relationships with parents, and other early years providers support and complement children's learning.

Setting details

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Local authority	Newham
Inspection number	1001181
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	3
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	19 November 2014
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 2006. She lives with her husband and their three adult children in Beckton, in the London Borough of Newham. The childminder works with a co-childminder and holds a level 3 childcare qualification.

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