

# Childminder Report

**Inspection date**

28 May 2015

Previous inspection date

28 August 2009

<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 quality of teaching and care is outstanding. The childminder has an excellent knowledge and understanding of childcare and development. She uses this to provide an extensive variety of activities and play experiences that motivate, challenge and inspire children to learn. As a result, children flourish in all aspects of learning and are excellently prepared for their move to school.
- The childminder's knowledge and understanding of how to safeguard and protect children is extremely secure and robust. She is extremely confident in recognising the signs and symptoms which would cause child protection concerns, and who she would contact.
- The childminder gives upmost regard and attention to children's safety at all times. All potential risks indoors and outdoors are fully assessed and appropriate action taken to minimise them.
- Feedback from parents is overwhelmingly positive. They describe how their children are very confident and self-assured as a result of spending time with the childminder.
- The childminder has completed a vast amount of training since her last inspection, and is extremely keen to keep her knowledge and understanding up to date. She extensively uses the knowledge she gains to benefit children further. For example, she uses natural resources within the environment outdoors to promote all areas of learning.
- The childminder is an excellent storyteller and children enjoy a wealth of books inside and in the garden. All children in the setting enjoy an increasing range of books, which supports their literacy development highly successfully.

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

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

- continue to develop the already comprehensive range of resources available to further help children learn about differing needs and abilities during their play.

## **Inspection activities**

- The inspector observed activities and the quality of teaching.
- The inspector checked the suitability of adults living in the household.
- The inspector looked at children's assessment records and planning documentation.
- The inspector took account of the written views of parents.

## **Inspector**

Hazel Farrant

## Inspection findings

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

The quality of teaching is outstanding. The childminder uses her excellent knowledge of how children learn to provide an inspirational learning environment both inside and outside. Parents regularly share information of their child's interests. The childminder uses this information highly effectively to provide activities and resources which will be of great interest to children. For example, children presently are extremely interested in mini beasts. They excitedly look around the garden for insects to study using a magnifying glass and then match them to a study guide. Children study the life cycle of a caterpillar changing into a butterfly. The childminder extends their enjoyment further by reading and looking at books about a caterpillar as well as making their own collage pictures. Planning and assessments are precise and sharply focused on each child's needs, and effectively shared with parents so every child makes rapid progress from their starting points.

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

Children have an excellent relationship with the childminder. They benefit from a welcoming and clean environment which the childminder organises very well. The supportive and nurturing environment ensures all children feel valued, safe and secure. Children's self-esteem is extremely high as the childminder praises their efforts and achievements. Children are learning to live healthily and their daily routine ensures there is plenty of exercise. They enjoy playing outdoors, making use of the local parks. The childminder supports younger children to develop their independence and begin to manage their own personal needs. For example, by encouraging them to wash their hands as part of the nappy change routine. The childminder consistently uses daily routines, such as helping to prepare their own foods at snack time, to provide further opportunities for children to extend their independence. Children have wonderful opportunities to learn about the foods which are good to eat as they plant and care for fruit and vegetables in the garden.

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

The childminder has an excellent understanding of her responsibilities in meeting the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. The childminder knows the importance of including the views of parents and children in her reflective practice, and welcomes their comments. As a result, self-evaluation accurately identifies future improvements. For example, children regularly have opportunities to learn about people with differing abilities through taking them to a variety of community groups. The childminder realises children have fewer opportunities to continue their understanding at home, and intends to provide more resources to further help their understanding.

## Setting details

<b>Unique reference number</b>	EY387669
<b>Local authority</b>	Surrey
<b>Inspection number</b>	830077
<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>	3
<b>Name of provider</b>	
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	28 August 2009
<b>Telephone number</b>	

The childminder registered in 2008 and lives in Lightwater, Surrey. The childminder's provision operates from Monday to Friday, for most of the year.

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