

# Childminder Report

**Inspection date**

6 July 2015

Previous inspection date

22 September 2010

<b>The quality and standards of the early years provision</b>	<b>This inspection:</b>	<b>Outstanding</b>	<b>1</b>
	Previous inspection:	Satisfactory	3
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 promotes learning in all areas excellently by actively engaging with children in their role play. Children develop exceptionally well; mostly progressing in line with expectations, but some exceeding these.
- The childminder's teaching is of an exceptionally high quality. She expertly questions children, according to their age and ability, to successfully promote their thinking skills.
- The childminder constantly praises children to promote their confidence, and consistently promotes their awareness of safety. As a result, children are highly confident and happy to try new things. They explore independently, and take and manage risks appropriate to their age.
- The childminder provides a highly stimulating environment for the children. There are a wide range of resources easily available to children, although fewer resources that enhance their technological skills.
- The childminder has an excellent awareness and knowledge of how to keep children safe. She clearly understands the process to follow should she have any concerns about a child's welfare.
- The childminder regularly self-evaluates the service she provides. She finds this extremely useful, and takes into consideration the views of parents and children when doing so. The childminder actively drives improvements to ensure that she is providing the best learning and care environment for the children.

## What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- explore further ways of promoting children's use of technology to enhance their skills in this area.

## Inspection activities

- The inspector spoke to the childminder at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The inspector engaged with the children during the inspection.
- The inspector undertook a joint observation with the childminder.
- The childminder observed the children during their indoor and outdoor play activities, as well as their snack routine.
- The childminder sampled various documents, including children's learning records, the childminder's self-evaluation form, risk assessments and relevant policies and procedures.

## Inspector

Lauren Ferreira

## Inspection findings

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

The childminder actively recognises and reinforces children's interests through her accurate observations of their enjoyment of activities. She expertly promotes all areas of learning in these activities and adapts them as needed to suit the ages and abilities of all children. As a result, children are highly engaged at all times, and are motivated to learn and participate. The childminder talks to the children all the time, excellently promoting their communication and language skills. The childminder accurately assesses children's progress and actively shares this information with parents and other professionals, as needed. The childminder is, therefore, able to identify any areas of achievement or concern quickly. The childminder carefully explains all activities to the children. This enables them to make informed, independent decisions about what they would like to do.

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

The childminder builds loving and caring relationships with the children, who are extremely happy and thrive in her care. The childminder constantly promotes sharing and kindness. As a result, older children support and engage with young children excellently, and all children are exceptionally well behaved. The childminder encourages all children to learn independently and she supports them effectively to be able to do so. Children follow excellent hygiene routines and the childminder actively promotes their understanding of the importance of healthy lifestyles. She promotes children's independence skills well. For example, she uses snack times to encourage children to help prepare their own fruit. The childminder enthusiastically supports children's move to school or other early years settings. She actively shares all the necessary information about children's learning, as needed.

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

The childminder highly values furthering her professional development. She attends many relevant courses and uses the information gained to plan new and exciting learning experiences for the children. The childminder accurately and critically evaluates the activities she provides for children against the learning they have gained from it. She uses these evaluations to move children further in their learning and, as a result, children make excellent progress in their learning and development. The childminder also actively ensures that all relevant training is kept up to date. This helps to ensure that children's safety and well-being are consistently maintained. The childminder implements robust risk assessments to ensure the suitability of her environment and any other environment the children visit. She works in excellent partnership with parents and they value the service she provides.

## Setting details

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<b>Local authority</b>	Surrey
<b>Inspection number</b>	842790
<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>	22 September 2010
<b>Telephone number</b>	

The childminder registered in 1992. She lives in West Clandon, Guildford, Surrey. The childminder offers care from 8.30am to 5.30pm, from Monday to either Wednesday or Thursday. This care is offered all year round, except for family and bank holidays. The childminder has a relevant early years childcare qualification at level 3.

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