

Childminder Report

Inspection date

6 August 2015

Previous inspection date

5 January 2011

The quality and standards of the early years provision**This inspection:****Met**

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 understands about the different requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She knows how to reduce potential risks so that children are able to play in a safe and secure environment.
- The childminder realises that before children begin in her setting working closely with parents, to learn about their children's individual needs, helps to settle them more swiftly. The childminder understands that by supporting the emotional development of children she helps them to become more confident.
- The childminder understands how to promote children's overall development, helping them become ready for school. The childminder is able to visit local groups in order to provide children with opportunities to socialise with others.
- The childminder has an appropriate understanding of how to make observations of children's learning and development in order to assess their progress towards the early learning goals. The childminder is also aware of the requirement to complete the progress check for children between the ages of two and three years.
- The childminder appreciates the need for continuity where children may attend other settings. She understands how to work with the other members of staff, in order that they work together to provide ongoing learning support for the children concerned.
- The childminder has a sound knowledge and understanding of safeguarding and child protection procedures. This includes how she would report a concern to keep children in her care safe.

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.

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she would organise general play and the snack and lunch time routines in her setting.
- The inspector talked with the childminder about her documentation. This included a discussion about the suitability checks that are in place for the childminder and all members of her household over 16 years of age. The childminder's insurance is up to date and paediatric first-aid and safeguarding training certificates were checked.
- The inspector talked with the childminder about how she would track progress made by the children in her care relating to the early learning goals.
- The inspector discussed how the childminder will reflect on her practice when it is operational.

Inspector

Lynn Clements

Setting details

Unique reference number	123715
Local authority	Hertfordshire
Inspection number	874767
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 11
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	5 January 2011
Telephone number	

The childminder was registered in 1979 and lives in Bishop's Stortford. She operates all year round from 7.30am to 6.30pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

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