

# Childminder Report

<b>Inspection date</b>	28 September 2015
Previous inspection date	28 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:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Outstanding	1
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Outstanding	1
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Outstanding	1
Outcomes for children		Outstanding	1

## Summary of key findings for parents

### This provision is outstanding

- Children make exceptional progress in their learning and development. They are extremely inquisitive and eager to learn. The childminder follows children's interests whilst using a wide range of excellent teaching methods to ensure that children are making excellent progress from their starting points.
- Children feel extremely happy and safe in the childminder's care. They seek reassurance and encouragement from the childminder, who responds exceptionally well to them. This ensures children feel extremely confident as they learn through play.
- The childminder provides an excellent range of resources and activities. Children are extremely independent and choose toys from low-level storage. As a result, children have high-quality learning experiences and become emotionally ready for school.
- Children develop an excellent understanding of the need to have a healthy lifestyle and to keep themselves fit and well, which provides outstanding opportunities to meet their physical well-being. For example, they have regular access to the outdoors and extremely healthy snacks.
- The very experienced and highly qualified childminder uses a variety of ways to refresh her already excellent knowledge of how to support children's learning and development. This helps to support children in all aspects of care and education.
- The childminder has an excellent understanding of how to keep children safe from harm. She ensures that parents are equally aware of her responsibilities by keeping them informed of her policies and procedures, and keeping accurate records of accidents and prior injuries.
- The childminder evaluates her high-quality service by seeking the views of children and parents. This helps her adapt her exceptional provision to meet her families' individual needs while ensuring excellent outcomes for children.

## What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- extend opportunities to develop children's senses and imaginations outside.

### Inspection activities

- The childminder gave the inspector a tour of the premises used for childminding.
- The inspector observed interactions between the childminder and children.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder and completed a joint observation with her.
- The inspector took into account the written views of parents.
- The inspector sampled documentation, such as children's learning journals, policies and procedures, and accident records.

### Inspector

Sharon Palmer

## Inspection findings

### **Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding**

Safeguarding is extremely effective. The childminder is highly motivated and fully committed to her work. She has an outstanding knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She implements her exceptionally comprehensive policies. They include current legislation and reflect her high-quality practice. She regularly evaluates the quality of the service she provides and has identified areas of improvement. The childminder shares ideas, best practice and developmental records with other settings that children also attend. This helps her to develop her delivery of exceptional care and education, while complementing children's learning and development.

### **Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding**

The childminder has a superb understanding of how children learn. She provides excellent commentary during children's play and she uses clear pronunciation so they hear appropriately modelled language. She introduces younger children to new words that relate to their play. As a result, even the youngest children are keen to talk. Children are extremely confident and learn at their own pace, choosing items that interest them. The childminder's excellent knowledge of her children allows them to return to their favourite activities, developing their learning through repetition. The childminder has established exceptional partnerships with parents. She completes accurate observations and assessments of children's progress and next steps in learning. She shares these regularly with parents, together with ideas for them to support continued learning at home. This collaborative approach ensures children make rapid progress from the outset.

### **Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding**

The childminder is extremely passionate about providing outstanding care. Children form exceptionally strong bonds and close attachments with her. They feel emotionally secure. The childminder is a wonderful role model and is respectful towards the children. Her calm and positive manner ensures that children feel special, their opinions are valued and they develop positive attitudes towards others. The enthusiastic childminder uses local facilities to extend the range of learning experiences she offers and enables children to be more involved in their wider community. Children enjoy their time in the garden, although opportunities to develop their imaginations and senses here are not extensive. The childminder is consistent with boundaries and clear with her expectations. Consequently, children display high levels of confidence and their behaviour is exemplary.

### **Outcomes for children are outstanding**

Children are extremely happy and settled. They are exceptionally independent and make rapid progress from their starting points, acquiring excellent language skills in readiness for school.

## Setting details

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<b>Day care type</b>	Childminder
<b>Age range of children</b>	0 - 8
<b>Total number of places</b>	6
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	7
<b>Name of provider</b>	
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	28 September 2010
<b>Telephone number</b>	

The childminder registered in 2009. She lives in Weyhill, near Andover, Hampshire. She has a level 3 qualification in early years. The childminder accepts government funding for children aged two, three and four years old. She works Monday to Friday from 8am until 6pm, all year round except for family and bank holidays.

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