Childminder Report



Inspection date	3 November 2015
Previous inspection date	4 January 2011

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Outstanding	1
Quality of teaching, learning and asses	sment	Outstanding	1
Personal development, behaviour and	welfare	Outstanding	1
Outcomes for children		Outstanding	1

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is outstanding

- The childminder provides an outstanding level of care for all the children. The children are exceptionally happy and emotionally secure, and flourish at this setting.
- The quality of teaching is excellent. The experienced childminder has a deep knowledge of the curriculum and knows how to motivate and challenge children. Children make rapid progress in all areas of their learning relative to their starting points.
- Children enjoy an exceptional range of resources and opportunities for learning, including trips into the local community. A rich and varied programme of learning ensures that children learn about people from other backgrounds, lifestyles and cultures.
- Planning is detailed and focused on children's needs and interests. Children are highly motivated, eager to explore and develop a real thirst for learning.
- The childminder has an excellent knowledge of safeguarding and child protection. She works extremely well with her co-childminder to implement excellent daily care routines. Levels of hygiene are excellent and children are safe and protected.
- Children behave very well. The childminder is an excellent role model for behaviour and respect towards others.
- The childminder is committed to continuous improvement. She reviews activities and provision accurately and is always keen to improve on her already excellent practice.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

make better use of suggestions and ideas from parents to further support the selfevaluation process.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed planned activities and children's self-chosen play, both indoors and in the garden.
- The inspector had discussions with the childminder and her co-childminder at appropriate times.
- The inspector took into account the views of parents and children.
- The inspector sampled documentation, including activity planning, children's learning records, risk assessments and fire evacuation records.
- The inspector viewed the equipment and resources available for the children's play and care.

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Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

The highly experienced childminder is ambitious to provide the very best care and learning for all children. Further training has an excellent impact on outcomes for children. For example, the childminder and her co-childminder keep up to date with new legislation. Safeguarding is effective. In addition, the childminder now uses sharply focussed observations on children to monitor their progress highly effectively. They make significant progress from their initial starting points. The childminder has excellent relationships with parents. Daily diaries and regular discussions about the children's progress keep parents very well informed. Parents are full of praise for the professionalism and care the childminder provides. They appreciate her 'open door' policy. The childminder values their views and suggestions, but does not always make the best use of their contributions to support her self-evaluation.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

The childminder has worked tirelessly to provide an outstanding range of exciting resources to actively promote all areas of the curriculum, particularly in the garden. For example, along the wall to the playhouse there are polished stones and fossils embedded into the wall. These catch children's attention and stimulate communication and language skills particularly well as children use words such as 'fossil' and 'ammonite'. Consistently high quality teaching, led by children's interests, ensures that all children are engaged in purposeful play. For example, children have developed a fascination with aeroplanes. The childminder uses this interest to promote children's physical development, language and mathematical skills through model aeroplanes, books and jigsaw puzzles that have an aeroplane theme.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

The childminder is exceptionally nurturing of all children. She demonstrates excellent manners, respect and care for everyone. The friendly, warm atmosphere she creates enables children to feel valued, safe, secure and ready to learn. From an early age, children learn essential self-care skills and how to keep themselves safe and healthy. Food is nutritious and children help themselves to water when they need it. The highly experienced childminder is able to support parents if they have concerns about their child's well-being. She has good relationships with other professionals and knows how to access support for children, where necessary.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Children are highly confident and motivated to learn. The childminder quickly identifies and addresses any gaps in children's development. Children are extremely well prepared for school.

Setting details

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Local authority Bristol City

Inspection number 837393

Type of provision Childminder

Day care type Childminder

Age range of children 0 - 2

Total number of places 6

Number of children on roll 5

Name of provider

Date of previous inspection 4 January 2011

Telephone number

The childminder has been registered since January 2004. She co-minds jointly with her daughter in Sea Mills, Bristol. She offers her service from 7.30am until 6pm for 48 weeks of the year.

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