

Childminder Report



Inspection date

9 November 2015

Previous inspection date

28 January 2010

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 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 benefit from exceptional learning opportunities linked to their individual interests and developmental needs.
- The childminder is enthusiastic, knowledgeable and very well organised. She takes great care and pride in the high quality provision she provides for young children.
- Children benefit highly from the kind and nurturing care the childminder provides. This helps them to become self-confident individuals.
- The childminder has excellent partnerships with parents and other professionals. This means that important information is shared, updated and used to enhance the care and learning of each child.
- The childminder evaluates her practice, identifies areas for development and continually plans for improvement. This has helped her to make significant improvements since the last inspection and improve the quality of the provision.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- provide an even wider range of experiences for younger children to develop all their senses.

Inspection activities

- The inspector toured the premises and viewed resources with the childminder.
- The inspector observed the children and childminder.
- The inspector examined records and documents provided by the childminder.
- The inspector read comments from parents.
- The inspector read and discussed the self-evaluation process with the childminder.

Inspector

Lynne Lewington

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. Excellent care is taken to ensure all aspects of children's safety is promoted at all times. The childminder has an excellent understanding of child protection issues and the procedures to follow to protect children's welfare. The childminder is enthusiastic and creates an excellent provision for children. She has completed a qualification and improved her skills since the last inspection. This has had a positive impact on her understanding and the service she provides. The childminder seeks the views of children and uses this information to continuously adapt and meet their needs. Parents praise the childminder very highly for the excellent service she offers them and their children. They comment on the excellent progress their children make in her care.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Children enjoy excellent opportunities to develop their skills as they experience a broad variety of activities. The childminder encourages the youngest children to develop excellent communication and language skills, develop their physical abilities and be confident, social individuals. For example, she talks to babies about what as they are playing with and encourages them to use their senses. However, she sometimes misses opportunities to introduce even more items so they can use all their senses. The childminder makes eye contact, and uses her facial expressions and tone of voice to gain their attention. Babies develop their physical skills as they stretch and reach for items, and have safe opportunities to move around and extend their skills further. Children have many opportunities to develop their social skills, for example, as they meet with other children and adults on the many outings they undertake in the local community.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

The childminder is an excellent role model. She has clear behavioural expectations and is calm and consistent. Children learn to be kind, respectful to others, use good manners, share and take care of the resources. The childminder very carefully plans the introductions to her home to help children to settle confidently. The childminder fosters excellent working partnerships with parents and other settings children attend. This helps ensure that children receive continuity in their care and learning and adapt quickly to their move to pre-school or school. Excellent care is taken to ensure children develop an awareness of a healthy lifestyle. For example, they enjoy many opportunities for fresh air and exercise, enjoy healthy snacks and meals, and learn to follow good hygiene routines.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Children are confident and curious individuals with excellent skills in readiness for the next stage of their learning. The childminder monitors children's learning exceptionally well and ensures they receive the support they need to rapidly close any gaps in their learning.

Setting details

Unique reference number	111308
Local authority	Hampshire
Inspection number	846006
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 7
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	7
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	28 January 2010
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 1999. She lives in Andover, Hampshire. She operates her service each weekday from 7.30am to 5.30pm, all year round. The childminder has an early years qualification at level 3.

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