

Childminder Report

Inspection date

18 November 2015

Previous inspection date

19 June 2009

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Outstanding	1
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

- The childminder has an excellent understanding of how children learn. She is extremely organised and her planning and assessment are highly effective. The childminder provides exciting, challenging activities and children make exceptional progress.
- This kind, caring and sensitive childminder provides a warm and caring environment. Children are very safe and secure and feel very ready to explore and learn.
- Children develop excellent communication and language skills with the support of the childminder. For example, she talks to them consistently, introduces new words and shows a keen interest in what they say.
- The childminder has a very professional and dedicated approach to her work. She shows a strong commitment to promoting high-quality childcare. The childminder effectively monitors the quality of her provision and reflects on her practice. She continually updates her knowledge to promote better learning experiences for children. For example, she routinely attends relevant training.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- strengthen further the opportunities for children to learn about the importance of adopting healthy lifestyles.

Inspection activities

- The inspector and childminder discussed the systems used to observe and record the children's progress and the documents used.
- The inspector completed observations of the children engaged in activities with the childminder.
- The inspector spoke to parents and sampled written feedback from parents.
- The inspector viewed the rooms and resources used by the children.

Inspector

Julie Biddle

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. This dedicated childminder fully understands her responsibility to report and record any child protection concerns to the appropriate professionals. The childminder has an excellent working partnership with parents. Superb levels of communication keep parents fully informed and involved in their children's progress. Parents speak in exceptionally high terms about the care the childminder provides for their children, in particular her kind, understanding nature. The childminder very effectively monitors children's progress. She seeks help and guidance from other professionals if she has concerns about children's development and progress.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Children thrive with the childminder who has an extremely thorough understanding of their care and learning needs. Her enthusiasm for caring for, and teaching, children is inspirational and clear to see. She uses her knowledge and skills to systematically identify their next stage in learning and incorporates these in the excellent range of activities the children enjoy. For example, a favourite story leads to looking at, feeling, smelling and tasting fruit. The extremely purposeful interaction from the childminder inspires children to take part in the activity. The children very enthusiastically join in a familiar song. Singing is enhanced with objects to bring the song to life. The childminder continually builds on the children's self-esteem and knowledge, and prepares them well for their next steps in learning.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Children are extremely happy, content and thoroughly enjoy their time with the childminder. She is sensitive, caring and fully supports children in forming strong, secure emotional attachments. Children's behaviour is excellent. They learn to socialise and respect the feelings of others. For example, they enjoy daily visits to drop-ins where they mix with others. The childminder successfully helps children to understand about turn taking and sharing. Children demonstrate superb social skills as they seek out other children to share experiences and begin to cooperate during their play. The childminder is extremely effective at supporting children's growing understanding of how to keep themselves safe. She is working to help them fully recognise the importance of adopting healthy lifestyles. Children absolutely enjoy time in the safe garden. The childminder encourages them to try and build in new skills, gaining confidence as they do.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

The children demonstrate high levels of curiosity and enthusiasm as they play and learn. They develop their independence and self-awareness. They make well-informed choices about their play. Overall, outcomes for children are outstanding.

Setting details

Unique reference number	137644
Local authority	Brent
Inspection number	825681
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	4
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	19 June 2009
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 1990. She lives in the London Borough of Brent. She cares for children all day, Monday to Friday, throughout most of the year.

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