Childminder Report



Inspection date	23 November 2015
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

	The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
		Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Good	2	
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Good	2	
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Good	2	
	Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Children's emotional development is good. The childminder provides familiar routines and she is calm and understanding. She meets children's individual needs well.
- The childminder regularly reviews children progress to ensure they are on track for the next stages of their learning.
- The childminder evaluates her practice effectively. She identifies and targets area for improvement that bring about effective change to the educational provision she provides. This has a positive impact on children's outcomes.
- The childminder has a good understanding of safeguarding procedures. She ensures her home is safe and secure for children.
- The quality of teaching is good and the childminder interacts well with children. She asks questions to make them think and extends their vocabulary as they play. Children progress well.
- Children enjoy their time with the childminder, and are happy and relaxed. The childminder provides a wide range of activities, which stimulate and motivate children to learn.

It is not yet outstanding because:

■ The childminder does not consistently make the most of all opportunities to extend the all-round development of children who prefer to learn outside.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

develop more play opportunities for children who prefer to play outside to fully extend their learning.

Inspection activities

- The inspector toured the premises and observed children playing.
- The inspector reviewed children's development records, a selection of the childminder's policies, children's records and evidence of the childminder's suitability.
- The inspector spoke with the childminder at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The inspector took account of the information provided in the childminder's selfevaluation document and in written references from parents.

Inspector

Amanda Perkin

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

The childminder fulfils the requirements of her role well. She regularly updates her teaching skills and knowledge through training to improve outcomes for children. This has a positive impact on the learning experiences that she offers children. She reads updates and uses these to inform her policies so that they support her in meeting all requirements. Safeguarding is effective. The childminder has a good understanding of how to keep children safe from harm. The childminder monitors children's progress to identify and address any gaps in their learning. She prepares children well for the next stages of their development. The childminder has good partnerships with parents, which help to provide consistency for children. Written references provide evidence of parents' happiness and appreciation of the high-quality care and education their children receive.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

The childminder reviews what children can do when they first attend. She plans activities to build on what they already know and to extend their learning. The childminder notices the children's interests and she offers resources and opportunities that motivate them to learn well. She promotes children's early reading skills well. Books are always available and the childminder reads to children regularly. Children's communication and language skills are progressing well. The childminder encourages children to repeat sounds and words, and she uses effective language to help children learn to solve problems for themselves. Young children confidently learn about colours and shapes as they enjoy using shape sorters and discovering which shapes fit into the correct slots.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

The childminder forms strong attachments with the children. She helps them to feel happy, valued and secure in her care, and ready to learn. Children gain a good knowledge and understanding of diversity through a range of activities, discussions and resources. They go on regular trips where they learn about their local area and the community in which they live. The childminder encourages children's growing independence well as they learn to complete simple everyday tasks by themselves, such as putting on their coats and boots. The childminder encourages children to follow good hygiene practices from an early age and teaches children the importance of keeping themselves safe and healthy.

Outcomes for children are good

Children make good progress. All children are working at typical levels of development for their ages. They are happy, confident and keen to learn, which helps them to be ready for the next stage in their learning, including school.

Setting details

Unique reference number EY467601

Local authorityBuckinghamshire

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Type of provision Childminder

Day care type Childminder

Age range of children 0 - 8

Total number of places 6

Number of children on roll 3

Name of provider

Date of previous inspectionNot applicable

Telephone number

The childminder registered in 2013. She lives in the rural village of Marsh Gibbon, in Oxfordshire. The childminder offers care on weekdays, all year round.

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