Childminder Report



Inspection date Previous inspection date	•		
The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection	n: 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

- This childminder gives high priority to her professional development. She keeps her knowledge up to date with current practice and to help her maintain her high-quality teaching and to improve outcomes for children.
- The childminder thoroughly assesses children's progress and provides an excellent range of learning experiences for children. This helps all children to make rapid progress in their learning and development.
- The childminder provides a rich and highly stimulating learning environment. This helps to motivate children to learn, both indoors and outdoors. The children relish exploring and learning independently.
- The childminder has an excellent understanding of how to protect children from harm. Safeguarding procedures are robust and clear.
- The childminder uses assessment arrangements exceptionally well to identify and plan for children's next steps for learning. This helps children to make rapid progress from their starting points on entry.
- The childminder has extremely strong relationships with children. Children in her care display exceptional levels of personal, social and emotional development.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

explore further ways to support parents to build on their children's already good awareness of healthy lifestyles.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities and interactions between the childminder and children throughout the inspection.
- The inspector spoke with the childminder at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The inspector viewed documentation, including children's records, policies and procedures.

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Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. The childminder has a comprehensive range of policies and procedures. She consistently follows these and shares them with parents to safeguard children. She is highly committed to improving her practice. For example, the childminder has attended a wide range of training since her last inspection. These have helped her to maintain high-quality standards in the setting and continually improve outcomes for children. The childminder thoroughly risk assesses her indoor and outdoor play areas to help children play in safety. The childminder works extremely well with parents. She shares children's progress and, overall, makes the most of opportunities to fully engage them and help highly promote continuity in children's learning at home.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

The childminder plans a high-quality range of activities and she directly links these to children's interests and stages of development. The childminder helps children to develop their language skills extremely well. She talks and listens to them, and read stories, to extend their excellent early-literacy skills. The childminder initiates excellent conversations and gives children time to think and process information. Children have excellent opportunities to learn about nature and their immediate environment. For example, she uses her rabbit as a great subject for discussion about a very wide variety of subjects, including living things. The childminder makes effective use of her observations and assessments, and uses these to help her plan challenging activities to help children make excellent progress in their learning.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

The childminder is extremely conscientious in monitoring children's behaviour and welfare. For example, she actively supports children to make responsible decisions and take necessary steps to deal with their emotions. Children in her care behave exceptionally well. Overall, the childminder provides children with a wealth of opportunities to be physically active and to learn about healthy lifestyles. Children enjoy a very wide variety of outdoor learning experiences and learn about heathy eating and healthy lifestyles. The childminder shares comprehensive details of children's achievements with parents, and is exploring ways to help them build on healthy lifestyles further at home.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

All children make excellent progress from their starting points. Children are extremely well prepared for their next stage in learning and in readiness for school.

Setting details

Unique reference number	136705	
Local authority	Bromley	
Inspection number	825642	
Type of provision	Childminder	
Day care type	Childminder	
Registers	Early Years Register	
Age range of children	2 - 6	
Total number of places	3	
Number of children on roll	2	
Name of provider		
Date of previous inspection	16 December 2008	
Telephone number		

The childminder registered 1998. She lives in Orpington, in the London Borough of Bromley. She provides care Monday to Friday, term time only.

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