

Childminder Report

Inspection date

11 February 2016

Previous inspection date

30 April 2012

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 flourish under the affectionate and stimulating care of the childminder. They develop a strong sense of self-worth, a caring attitude and become highly independent.
- The childminder teaches very effectively. She takes every opportunity to stretch and challenge children through interesting and playful experiences. Children are eager to learn and make rapid progress in their learning and development. They make excellent progress.
- Children's behaviour is excellent and they learn to respect others. The childminder ensures they clearly understand what is expected of them. She skilfully promotes children's self-esteem and emotional well-being. The childminder is calm, attentive and encouraging.
- Highly focused professional development improves the childminder's service. She uses training courses effectively to keep her knowledge up to date and to achieve the highest standards.
- Children thoroughly enjoy exploring the stimulating, well-resourced learning environments, indoors and outdoors. They make good use of opportunities to take carefully managed risks to understand their own capabilities and to consider how to keep themselves safe.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- take every opportunity to obtain information from parents about what their children enjoy and learn at home.

Inspection activities

- The inspector looked around the areas of the childminder's home used by the children.
- The inspector had discussions with the childminder throughout the inspection about her practice and the children's learning and development.
- The inspector observed children taking part in activities with the childminder.
- The inspector sampled paperwork, including policies, procedures and children's records.
- The inspector took account of the parents' views from parent feedback and communication records.

Inspector

Laxmi Patel

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

The childminder has a fully secure knowledge of the procedures to follow to protect children from harm. Safeguarding is effective. The childminder constantly reviews children's progress to enable her to plan for their next steps in learning and help them to make excellent progress. She works closely with other professionals and provides prompt and extremely effective support to address any gaps in children's learning and development. For example, the childminder liaises with staff at the local school to help her plan activities for older children and extend their development. However, she recognises that she does not gain information about children's home learning as well as possible from all parents and plans to strengthen partnership working further. Parents speak extremely highly of the childminder.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

The childminder provides extremely exciting and interesting play areas where children freely access toys and resources. She is extraordinarily skilled at building on children's interests to extend their learning. For example, as children play with the farm animals, the childminder very successfully extends children's enjoyment and learning as she introduces a song that involves farm animals. The childminder expertly promotes children's early mathematics and literacy skills. She encourages children to count and compare numbers, colours, shapes and sizes throughout the session. The childminder provides superb support to promote children's communication and language skills. For example, she engages children in charming conversation and asks questions that encourage further discussion, showing genuine interest in what children say.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

The childminder encourages children to be physically active and helps them to clearly understand the importance of exercise. The outdoor experiences include exciting visits in the local area, where children enjoy a wide range of active games. The childminder takes robust steps to minimise risks to children in her home and on outings. Children are wonderfully happy, highly confident and secure in her care. They very confidently approach her for cuddles and help when needed. The childminder has created an environment of mutual respect, which values and celebrates diversity. She promotes healthy lifestyles exceptionally well through extremely good hygiene routines and skilful use of everyday activities.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Children make excellent progress. They concentrate well and develop superb communication and independence during play. Children are extremely sociable and confident. They are well prepared for their next stage of learning.

Setting details

Unique reference number	139018
Local authority	Hillingdon
Inspection number	841338
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	1 - 4
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	2
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	30 April 2012
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 1995. She lives in South Ruislip, in the London Borough of Hillingdon. She operates from Monday to Friday, all year round.

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