# Childminder Report



Inspection date	2 March 20	16
Previous inspection date	23 February	/ 2011

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
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

- The childminder provides children with a good range and balance of toys and resources. Children are kept busy with interesting activities and clearly enjoy learning while they play. All children make good progress.
- Children enjoy warm, close relationships with the childminder. They are happy and well settled in her care. Children are confident and very independent in managing their personal needs.
- The childminder establishes good relationships with parents. Feedback from them shows they are happy with their children's care and the progress they make in their learning and development.
- Children develop good social skills. The childminder helps them to learn the importance of being kind and helpful to others.
- Children are safe and secure in the childminder's care. She uses robust risk assessments in the home and on outings.

#### It is not yet outstanding because:

- Although some self-evaluation procedures are taking place, these are not yet rigorous in driving improvement and achieving the best possible outcomes for children.
- The childminder does not always make the best use of opportunities to support children to gain an understanding of people in the wider world, beyond their immediate family.

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# What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- provide more opportunities for children to develop their understanding of diversity in the wider community
- further develop the self-evaluation process to plan ongoing improvements for best possible outcomes for children.

#### **Inspection activities**

- The inspector looked at the areas of the home used for childminding.
- The inspector observed the childminder playing with the children during a range of activities.
- The inspector discussed the childminder's policies, looked at children's records and checked evidence of the childminder's suitability and qualifications.
- The inspector discussed activities with the childminder.
- The inspector took account of the views of parents expressed in written responses.

#### Inspector

**Judith Harris** 

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# **Inspection findings**

#### Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The childminder uses her training to ensure she has an understanding of the most recent first-aid and safeguarding procedures. The childminder makes good use of monitoring and assessment to ensure she can quickly identify any gaps in children's learning. She works closely with other childminders and attends regular workshops to help improve her practice. She has completed training to support her to improve children's communication and language skills.

#### Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children benefit from a good range of activities that are suitable for their age. For example, children enjoyed practising their early writing skills with the childminder. She supported them to develop good small-physical skills as they learned how to hold pens and pencils. Children concentrated well as they drew circles and practised writing letters. The childminder uses her interactions skilfully to extend the children's language skills and to help them link sounds to letters. Children's learning records are shared effectively with parents to keep them informed of ongoing progress.

#### Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

The childminder's home is welcoming and well resourced. Children move confidently and safely and can choose freely from the easily accessible toys. Children behave well because the childminder emphasises the importance of being polite and kind to each other. The childminder helps the children to understand their own and others' feelings. For example, children showed they were able to identify the difference in pictures of happy and sad faces. The childminder also helps children understand the importance of how to keep themselves safe, for example, by involving them in regularly practising fire drills with her. Lots of outdoor play is used to promote the children's physical development, and children have well-balanced healthy diets to support their good standards of well-being.

#### **Outcomes for children are good**

Children make good progress in learning from their individual starting points. For example, they are able accurately name shapes and colours, and can count with confidence. Children are self-assured with good levels of independence. For example, they are able to respond to encouragement to put on their own coats and shoes when going outside. They are clearly gaining the skills they need for moving on to pre-school or school.

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# **Setting details**

**Unique reference number** 110000

**Local authority** Greenwich

**Inspection number** 835841

Type of provision Childminder

Day care type Childminder

**Registers** Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Age range of children 3 - 6

**Total number of places** 6

Number of children on roll 1

Name of provider

**Date of previous inspection** 23 February 2011

Telephone number

The childminder registered in 1992. She lives in Charlton in the London Borough of Greenwich. The childminder works from Monday to Thursday each week, all year round, except for family holidays and bank holidays.

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