Childminder Report



Inspection date	21 March 2016
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

	The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	early years provision	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
	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 the learning and development requirements. She plans an extremely wide range of interesting and innovative activities based on children's interests.
- Children settle extremely well under the childminder's very sensitive and attentive care. They are exceptionally secure and happy, which helps them to be highly curious and inquisitive learners.
- The childminder has excellent systems in place to work very closely with parents and other settings. She shares detailed information on children's learning which helps children to make excellent progress.
- The childminder has an excellent understanding of how to meet the safeguarding and welfare requirements. She can identify signs and symptoms that would cause her to be concerned about a child's welfare and understands the procedures to follow to report these.
- The childminder uses her exceptional communication and language skills to constantly engage children. This helps children to become very competent in their speaking and listening skills.

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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:

 continue to extend the range of opportunities for children to develop a greater understanding of technology.

Inspection activities

- The inspector and childminder discussed the systems used to observe and record children's progress.
- The inspector completed observations of the children engaged in activities with the childminder.
- The inspector sampled some of the documents that the childminder uses to support her practice.
- The inspector took into account written feedback from parents made available during the inspection.

Inspector

Rachel Hurford

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Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. The childminder is extremely clear about her responsibility to safeguard children in her care. The childminder has a very strong partnership with parents, which helps to greatly benefit consistency in children's care and learning. She shares and seeks a wealth of information with them about their children's achievements and development. This helps her ensure that children's care and learning opportunities are highly consistent and of very high quality. She is highly reflective and consistently evaluates her practice. She is very effective in identifying areas for improvement, and uses targeted plans and ideas to address them effectively. The childminder is extremely well organised and uses a variety of ways to keep her knowledge of the requirements and changes to legislation up to date.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

The childminder uses her experience, skills and extremely strong knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements to promote children's learning exceptionally well. She provides exceptionally interesting and challenging activities that support children's development in all areas. The childminder gains information from observations to tailor inspirational activities to build on children's interests and challenge them in their learning. The childminder very successfully monitors children's progress and completes highly accurate assessments to ensure that children make excellent progress in their learning. Opportunities for children to explore and understand technology are less well developed.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

The childminder offers a warm and welcoming home-from-home environment. This helps children feel safe and secure. The childminder offers exceptional outdoor activities, for example, the children make sticky cardboard hats to collect items on a nature trail. This helps provide children with excellent opportunities to explore the world around them and to develop their physical skills. Children benefit from healthy and nutritious meals, which strongly contribute towards their physical well-being and their understanding of healthy lifestyles. Care routines are carried out extremely sensitively and hygienically, this helps support children's physical well-being.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

The highly successful activities engage and challenge children. Children are inquisitive and active learners which helps them to make excellent progress. For example, during a baking activity children knew which ingredients came next and were very keen to put their hands in to kneed and gather the ingredients together. Children are very independent and this helps prepare them for the next stage in their learning.

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Setting details

Unique reference number EY458619

Local authority Surrey 935943

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 5

Number of children on roll 3

Name of provider

Date of previous inspectionNot applicable

Telephone number

The childminder registered in 2013. She lives in Ashtead in Surrey. The childminder works four days per week, 8am until 6pm, term time only.

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