

Childminder Report

Inspection date

12 May 2016

Previous inspection date

30 September 2013

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Inadequate	4
	Previous inspection:	Satisfactory	3
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Inadequate	4
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Inadequate	4
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Inadequate	4
Outcomes for children		Inadequate	4

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is inadequate

- The childminder does not know how to safeguard children or share safeguarding procedures with parents. She did not notify Ofsted of a significant event, or that her daughter is acting as an assistant. She does not have a current paediatric first aid qualification or ensure the learning environment is safe for children. These are breaches of the Childcare Register.
- There are no evacuation procedures should an emergency arise.
- Children do not have daily outdoor activities to promote their well-being.
- The childminder has not made the required improvements since the last inspection. For example, she has failed to obtain public liability insurance and has made little progress in improving her knowledge of the early years foundation requirements, including the requirement for the progress check for children aged between two and three.
- The quality of teaching is weak. The childminder fails to promote children's communication skills well enough, monitor their progress, or plan challenging activities. Children do not learn the skills they need for the next stage of their learning.
- Partnership with parents is weak. The childminder does not share information with parents about their children's development to help her plan for the next steps in their learning. She fails to provide them with details about Ofsted if they wish to complain.

It has the following strengths

- The childminder manages children's behaviour positively. Children behave well.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

The provision is inadequate and Ofsted intends to take enforcement action

We will issue a Welfare Requirements Notice requiring the provider to:

Due Date

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| ■ have and implement a policy and procedure to safeguard children in line with the guidance and procedures of the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB); these must include an explanation of the action to be taken in the event of an allegation being made against a household member and cover the use of mobile phones and cameras in the setting | 09/06/2016 |
| ■ gain an up-to-date knowledge of safeguarding procedures to enable identification of signs of possible abuse and neglect and be able to respond in a timely and appropriate way | 09/06/2016 |
| ■ maintain a current paediatric first aid qualification | 09/06/2016 |
| ■ implement effective procedures for risk assessment and take all reasonable steps to ensure that children are not exposed to risks, with particular regard to making glassware inaccessible | 09/06/2016 |
| ■ take all reasonable steps to ensure the safety of children in the case of fire or any other emergency, and develop an effective emergency evacuation procedure | 09/06/2016 |
| ■ plan and provide outdoor activities on a daily basis | 09/06/2016 |
| ■ obtain valid public liability insurance | 09/06/2016 |
| ■ provide parents with the contact details for Ofsted so they know who to contact to make a complaint. | 09/06/2016 |

To meet the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage and the Childcare Register the provider must:

	Due Date
■ develop effective partnership with parents, which includes providing information about their children's learning and seeking more information about what their children know and can do, to build on what children learn at home	09/06/2016
■ develop a secure knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements and raise the quality of teaching to improve outcomes for children in all areas of their learning, including their communication and language development	09/06/2016
■ make effective use of observation and assessment to monitor children's progress and use the information to plan challenging and age-appropriate activities to help children make good progress	09/06/2016
■ gain knowledge of the progress check to be completed for children between two and three	09/06/2016
■ keep and implement a written statement of the procedures to be followed for the protection of children, intended to safeguard the children being cared for from abuse or neglect	09/06/2016
■ have a written statement of procedures to be followed in relation to complaints which relate to the requirements of the Childcare Register and which a parent makes in writing or by email.	09/06/2016

Inspection activities

- The inspector carried out observations of the childminder's interactions with children.
- The inspector read a letter from parents and took account of their views.
- The inspector viewed a range of documentation, including the attendance register.
- The inspector toured the setting and looked at the play resources.

Inspector

Jane Winnan

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is inadequate

Safeguarding is ineffective. The childminder does not recognise potential signs that a child is at risk, or know who to contact if she has a concern about a child's welfare. She is unclear about the risks relating to the use of mobile phones, or what to do in the event of an allegation. These weaknesses compromise children's safety. The childminder does not hold a current paediatric first aid qualification. She has failed to meet actions from the last inspection. For example, she has not obtained public liability insurance. She does not provide parents with information about how to complain. The childminder's risk assessments are ineffective. For example, glassware is in easy reach of young children, which puts them at risk. Her daughter assists with children's care, but the childminder has not informed Ofsted that she sometimes acts as an assistant. At the last inspection, the childminder was required to improve her understanding of the learning and development requirements, including the requirement for the progress check for children aged between two and three. However, she still does not monitor children's progress or use information from observations to plan challenging or age-appropriate activities. The childminder did not inform Ofsted about a significant event, to allow her ongoing suitability to be assessed.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is inadequate

The childminder does not plan activities to help children make adequate progress. She provides a limited range of resources and these are not always appropriate for the age of the children attending. For example, she provides worksheets for very young children or puzzles that are too complex. The childminder occasionally introduces new words to encourage children's language development. However, adult television programmes and background music play continuously, limiting children's ability to listen and develop their communication skills effectively. The childminder shares information with parents about children's care, but does not talk to them about what their children know and can do, and any progress they make.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are inadequate

Children's welfare is compromised. The childminder does not hold a current first aid certificate to enable her to deal with accidents. She has failed to maintain required insurance and has not considered how to keep children safe while they play. She does not have an evacuation plan in the event of an emergency. Her safeguarding knowledge is weak. Children do not have daily opportunities to play outside to promote their health and physical skills adequately.

Outcomes for children are inadequate

Children are not prepared for the next stage of their learning. They lack the motivation and enthusiasm to learn, and do not develop the language skills they need. Children comply with the childminder's instructions but do not develop independent learning skills.

Setting details

Unique reference number	125512
Local authority	Kent
Inspection number	1048646
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	1 - 2
Total number of places	5
Number of children on roll	1
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	30 September 2013
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 2000. She lives in Bean, in Dartford, Kent. The childminding service is open from 8am to 6pm all year round.

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