

Childminder Report

Inspection date	11 October 2016
Previous inspection date	19 October 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Met	3
	Previous inspection:	Requires Improvement	

Summary of key findings for parents

The provision meets requirements

- Since the last inspection the provider has updated her first-aid qualification. She has continued to develop her skills by attending further training. This has helped her to maintain her knowledge of how to meet the requirements relating to safeguarding and promoting children's learning and development.
- The childminder appropriately demonstrates how she safeguards children's welfare. She uses her broad range of associated training to develop clear written guidance. She understands how to refer any child protection concerns and how to help children learn about keeping themselves safe, for example, when using the internet.
- The childminder provides a safe, interesting place for children to play and learn. Her home is very well maintained. Comprehensive risk assessments are carried out, including for outings. The childminder understands how to closely monitor the work of any assistant. She has maintained public liability insurance.
- The childminder demonstrates a secure understanding of the educational programmes and how to promote the learning and development of young children. She observes what children can do and tracks this precisely against developmental guidance. She uses the information to plan specific support to help each individual child progress further.
- The childminder understands how to help children develop the skills they need to be ready for school. She describes how she uses everyday routines along with external activities, such as library sessions to provide activities and social experiences which motivate children's engagement and increase their confidence and independence.
- The childminder understands ways to promote children's well-being. She describes carefully thought through admission arrangements. These allow time for children to build relationships and time for parents to share information about children's individual needs so the childminder can put care plans in place when needed.
- The childminder demonstrates secure arrangements for continued communication with parents and other professionals regarding each child's care and learning. These include providing regular progress summary reports, such as the progress check for children aged between two and three years, and transition reports for receiving staff when children move on to a new setting.
- The childminder has suitable plans for accessing further relevant training and using links with the local adviser and other professionals to obtain advice and guidance. This demonstrates her capacity to continue to improve.

There were no children present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Inspection activities

- The inspector held discussions with the childminder relating to her knowledge and understanding of the requirements for safeguarding and welfare, learning and development.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder and checked records to demonstrate how she had addressed the action raised at her last inspection.
- The inspector observed the areas of the home used for childminding, including the ground-floor toilet facilities, the kitchen, family room, playroom and the outdoor area.
- The inspector looked at available documents, such as the childminder's insurance and training certificates, children's information records, her self-evaluation and local authority visit reports.
- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability of the childminder and household members.

Inspector

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Setting details

Unique reference number	EY418671
Local authority	Wigan
Inspection number	1058451
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register
Age range of children	5 - 10
Total number of places	12
Number of children on roll	8
Name of registered person	
Date of previous inspection	19 October 2015
Telephone number	

The childminder was registered in 2010 and lives in Astley, Manchester. She operates all year round, from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 3. She is very occasionally supported by an assistant.

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