

Childminder Report

Inspection date

14 October 2016

Previous inspection date

16 May 2013

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Satisfactory	3
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 are extremely confident and happy. The childminder forms warm, positive relationships with children, supporting their emotional well-being exceedingly well.
- The childminder is passionate about her role and sets very high expectations. She keenly evaluates her service, actively seeking and acting on the advice of others to make continual improvements. She reflects very well on her strengths and accurately identifies areas to improve, to help her develop her practice to an outstanding level.
- Children are always highly interested, excited and motivated to be involved in activities. The childminder uses her expert knowledge of how children learn to plan and teach exceedingly rich, challenging and varied experiences for them.
- The childminder has made vast improvements to her assessment procedures since the last inspection. She checks on children's progress in great detail. For example, she uses a highly effective system to help her recognise and close any gaps needed in children's development. Children make excellent progress in their learning.
- Children behave exceedingly well, are highly independent and master the skills they need to for the next stages in their learning. They learn to use equipment skilfully and develop exceptional physical skills. For example, they help prepare the table for lunch responsibly and use spoons to serve themselves carefully. They behave sensibly and develop high levels of self-esteem.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- continue to develop the extremely good opportunities for children to explore toys of their choice independently, particularly for those who want to be outdoors.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the interactions between the childminder and the children in her care.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder.
- The inspector viewed parts of the premises that are used for childminding.
- The inspector viewed documentation during the inspection such as the childminder's policies and procedures, risk assessments and children's assessment records.
- The inspector took into account the written views of parents.

Inspector

Anneka Qayyum

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

Safeguarding is effective. The childminder is highly vigilant and clearly understands her duty to keep children safe. She confidently knows how to recognise and report any signs that indicate a child may be at risk of harm. The childminder's professional development is highly focused and she works tirelessly in the pursuit of excellence in all aspects of her setting. For example, following the last inspection, she has carefully sought training opportunities and has learnt how to extend her teaching skills and plan activities that are precisely suited to children's needs. The childminder understands how to monitor the work of her assistant exceedingly well. She provides many opportunities for him to develop his practice and ensure that teaching is always highly effective.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Children benefit greatly from the childminder's highly effective partnerships with parents. For instance, she involves them in making accurate and sharply focused assessments of children and supports them to extend learning at home, so children make continuous progress. The childminder is extremely creative in the way she teaches and she supports children's individual needs brilliantly. For example, she creates personalised interactive boards for children such as with different sized zips attached. This helps encourage children to explore fastenings, while extending their excellent physical and self-care skills even further. The environment is extremely well organised and children have a vast range of resources to support their interests, although opportunities for children to make more independent decisions about their play choices outside are still developing.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Children have many opportunities to help them value and understand diversity. For example, the childminder has made a display of the languages children speak to help them learn about others. She is highly effective in teaching them about similarities and differences, while skilfully encouraging mutual respect for others. Children benefit from eating a variety of nutritious foods and have excellent opportunities to learn about healthy lifestyles. For instance, they benefit from regular exercise, to support their physical well-being. Children develop an excellent understanding of how to stay safe, such as during outings, and are given plenty of opportunities to manage risks.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Children make superb progress, given their starting points. They listen attentively and communicate skilfully. They gain exceptional early reading, writing and mathematical skills. For example, they use excellent mathematical language when learning to measure and discuss lengths. They have many exciting opportunities to learn about nature and living things to increase their awareness of the wider world.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY416032
Local authority	Greenwich
Inspection number	1049381
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register
Age range of children	3 - 4
Total number of places	9
Number of children on roll	1
Name of registered person	
Date of previous inspection	16 May 2013
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 2010. She lives in West Thamesmead, in the London Borough of Greenwich. The childminder operates her service weekdays from 7am to 7pm and is available to provide overnight care. She works for 48 weeks in the year. The childminder holds a suitable childcare qualification at level 3. She regularly works with an assistant.

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