

Childminder Report

Inspection date

7 March 2017

Previous inspection date

28 June 2013

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This inspection:

Met

Previous inspection:

Good

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Summary of key findings for parents

The provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a good understanding of child protection and safeguarding issues. She is able to describe possible signs and symptoms of abuse. She knows how to respond to any concerns for a child's welfare or to any allegations of abuse.
- The childminder has a good understanding of conducting risk assessments to help minimise potential risks to children. She explains how she has relevant health and safety policies. These include how she intends to help keep children safe on outings and in the proximity of pets.
- The childminder has a good knowledge of the records required for children's safety and well-being. She explains how she will gather relevant information from parents. She demonstrates a good understanding of the need to retain and store all documentation confidentially.
- The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the benefits of fresh air and exercise for children. She explains how she intends to offer daily outdoor play, using local parks and her rear garden. She explains her plans to offer children a healthy, balanced diet based in their individual dietary needs.
- The childminder has a good understanding of how to manage children's behaviour. She explains how she will teach children to respect each other's feelings and play cooperatively and safely.
- The childminder explains how she intends to make good use of the space and resources available. She shows how toys are stored at low level. She explains how she intends to encourage children to select their own resources and to make choices in their play.
- The childminder has a good knowledge and understanding of how to observe, assess and plan for children's learning. She explains how she will plan a broad range of activities to help children gain necessary skills in readiness for school.
- The childminder is committed to her continuous professional development. She uses her good links with the local authority to update her knowledge. She finds out about current good practice guidance and new requirements. She attends local training events to help further improve her knowledge and understanding.
- The childminder demonstrates a very good understanding of the benefits of working in partnership with parents and other professionals. She explains how she shares relevant information with them to help plan for consistency for children. She understands the need to evaluate her work and describes good procedures to seek the views of parents to help her reflect on the quality of her practice.

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 discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the educational programmes for children and undertake observation, assessment and planning.
- The inspector discussed the policies and procedures with the childminder and viewed documentation that she will use when caring for children.
- The inspector toured the areas of the premises used by children and discussed the equipment and toys available.
- The inspector discussed the safeguarding and welfare requirements with the childminder and took into consideration the suitability checks.

Inspector

Mary Wignall

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY383456
Local authority	Knowsley
Inspection number	1065278
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	4 - 11
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	3
Name of registered person	
Date of previous inspection	28 June 2013
Telephone number	

The childminder was registered in 2008 and lives in Prescott, Merseyside. She operates all year round from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except bank holidays and family holidays.

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