

Childminder Report

Inspection date

24 May 2017

Previous inspection date

12 May 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
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's enthusiasm is infectious. She aspires to provide children with optimum opportunity to learn and reach their full potential. The childminder uses her exceptional knowledge of children's abilities, interests and learning styles to plan activities that capture their interest and inspire them to learn.
- Children settle effortlessly into the childminder's care. They form extremely strong attachments with her and delight in her company. Comprehensive information gathered from parents is used effectively to meet children's individual needs.
- The childminder's attention to the well-being of the children is superb. Children's safety is paramount. Clear information is provided to all visitors that outlines what is expected of them when in her home and what will not be tolerated, for example, the use of bad language and any intervention with the children.
- Children benefit from plenty of fresh air and exercise each day. The childminder extends further opportunities for children to be physically active and takes full advantage of the additional play opportunities at local parks and play centres.
- Partnerships with parents are superb. Excellent routines are in place for identifying, agreeing and extending children's learning at home. Communication is highly effective and ensures that children's ever-changing needs and abilities are well known.
- The childminder continually strives for excellence. Self-evaluation is rigorous. The views of parents are actively sought. This is used alongside discussion with children and her ongoing monitoring of their development. This enables her to effectively identify areas of strength and focus very specifically on aspects of her provision she would like to enhance even further.

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 children's emerging interest in natural materials and sensory play experiences in the outdoor learning environment.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities indoors and outdoors, and assessed the impact this has on children's learning.
- The inspector spoke to the childminder and children during the inspection.
- The inspector completed a joint observation with the childminder.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of people living within the household.
- The inspector took account of the written views of parents.

Inspector

Tracey Boland

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective. Children's safety is significantly enhanced through the steps taken by the childminder to maintain their safety. Potential hazards within the home and garden are minimised. The childminder has an excellent understanding of her role in protecting children from possible harm and neglect. The childminder is highly motivated to learn and strives to continually enhance her already excellent knowledge in the childcare field. She accesses professional development opportunities, reads current information and shares best practice with other childminders in order to continually enhance her knowledge. The childminder's highly effective processes for self-evaluation have led to her exploring ways of enhancing opportunities for children to access more natural materials and sensory play within the garden.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Children thrive in this exciting environment. Teaching is inspirational. The childminder supports children's language development superbly. She engages them in conversations and uses lots of repetition to encourage children to build on what they already know. For example, she asks questions when children hear trucks outside her home. The childminder encourages children to specifically identify what they are doing and includes safety around traffic in the conversation. Children take great delight making marks and drawing using various sized paintbrushes with buckets of water in the garden. The childminder encourages children's understanding of why things happen, for example, why the water quickly disappears when they are drawing outside in the sunshine.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

The childminder provides excellent care for all children. In particular, the care of children with very specific individual needs is superb. The childminder works meticulously with parents and other professionals involved in their lives to ensure that all children flourish as they become confident, independent learners. The childminder's enthusiasm and positive attitude to learning capture children's attention and they are eager to have a go. Children's manners are excellent and they learn the importance of showing respect and kindness to others. Children work with the childminder to choose and plant various fruits. They nurture them until finally they have the opportunity to eat them.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Children make excellent progress in relation to their individual starting points and flourish in the childminder's care. They show great confidence and high levels of concentration when completing tasks and are highly motivated to learn. The childminder makes sure that children develop the essential skills in readiness for the move on to school.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY449212
Local authority	Coventry
Inspection number	1095354
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register
Age range of children	3 - 7
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	2
Name of registered person	
Date of previous inspection	12 May 2015
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 2012 and lives in the Tile Hill district of Coventry. She operates all year round from 8am to 5pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder has a relevant childcare qualification at level 4.

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