Childminder Report



Inspection date	6 June 2017
Previous inspection date	Not applicable

The quality and standards of the	This inspection:	Good	2
early years provision	Previous inspection:	Not applicable	
Effectiveness of the leadership and management		Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and assess	sment	Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Good	2
Outcomes for children			

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- The childminder develops positive relationships with children, parents and carers. She knows children well and meets their individual needs effectively.
- Children enjoy exploring the interesting and welcoming play environment.
- The childminder works effectively in partnership with other settings that children attend to encourage continuity in their care and learning.
- The childminder has a good understanding of safeguarding procedures. She supervises children closely and provides safe premises.
- The childminder evaluates her practice accurately and has a positive approach to developing her setting further in order to benefit children and their families.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- At times, the childminder misses opportunities to help children become more aware of their feelings, in order to support their personal development further.
- The childminder sometimes does not make the very best use of opportunities to extend children's understanding of diversity in society.

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What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- extend opportunities for children to express their feelings in order to support their personal and emotional development further
- develop ways for children to learn more about people who are different from themselves, in order to support their understanding of diversity in society.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed children's play both indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector and the childminder observed and discussed activities together.
- The inspector talked to the childminder, children and parents at appropriate times throughout the inspection.
- The inspector looked at the childminder's training records, self-evaluation form and children's records.

Inspector

Gillian Little

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Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The childminder keeps her knowledge of safeguarding procedures up to date and knows what to do if she has concerns about children's welfare. She monitors her practice routinely and encourages feedback from parents and children to take account of their views. Since her registration, the childminder has broadened the provision of activities and experiences for children to explore and enjoy. Parents comment favourably on the childminder's care of their children and her flexible approach to meeting the needs of families.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

The childminder works well in partnership with parents and other professionals to share information about children's daily routines and experiences. This approach achieves consistency for children to help them feel secure and settled. The childminder uses effective interactions to teach children a wide range of skills, and she makes suggestions, challenges their thinking and praises their efforts. Children enjoy building, creating and exploring as they follow their individual interests. The childminder provides a good range of experiences, both indoors and outdoors, to support children's play.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

The childminder provides good opportunities for children to enjoy a healthy lifestyle and to benefit from physical exercise. For example, she encourages healthy eating sensitively and takes careful account of children's preferences. The childminder supports children's independence effectively and helps them to become confident. She includes older and younger children in activities, adapting these to suit their individual needs. This approach helps children to feel welcome and learn to respect each other. The childminder is a positive role model and helps children to understand behavioural expectations. She provides some opportunities for children to learn about people who are different from themselves.

Outcomes for children

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Setting details

Unique reference number EY484854

Local authority Oxfordshire

Inspection number 1002398

Type of provision Childminder

Day care type Childminder

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Age range of children 2 - 8

Total number of places 3

Number of children on roll 3

Name of registered person

Date of previous inspectionNot applicable

Telephone number

The childminder registered in 2014 and lives in Didcot, Oxfordshire. She offers after-school care for all ages, during term time only.

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