Childminder Report



Inspection date	24 January 2018
Previous inspection date	28 April 2014

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Good	2
	Previous inspection:	Good	2
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		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- Children make good progress in relation to their starting points. The childminder observes and monitors their development accurately, and prioritises next steps to help address any gaps in their learning.
- The childminder helps children to develop good behaviour and positive attitudes towards others. Children learn to say 'please' and 'thank you', to share and take turns fairly.
- Children develop healthy lifestyles. The childminder provides nutritious home-cooked meals, lots of fresh air and outdoor play, and meets children's care needs consistently.
- The childminder values professional development to build further on her good knowledge and skills, and to improve outcomes for children. For instance, she uses guidance from training to help children communicate their feelings better in play, such as when they become frustrated.

It is not yet outstanding because:

- The childminder misses some opportunities to help children notice and learn about shapes and patterns in their play.
- The childminder does not consistently involve parents in their children's learning to track children's progress even more accurately from the start.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- make better use of opportunities to extend children's mathematical skills even further, particularly regarding their understanding of shapes and patterns
- develop the partnerships with parents to track and support children's learning even more effectively from the start.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed activities and the quality of the childminder's interactions with the children.
- The inspector observed the management of children's care routines.
- The inspector looked at children's assessment records and talked to children at appropriate times.
- The inspector sampled the childminder's documentation and discussed her knowledge of the requirements of the early years foundation stage.
- The inspector took account of parents' views.

Inspector

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Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The childminder keeps her good knowledge of child protection issues and procedures up to date. She understands the risks to children and knows how to respond in the event of any concerns about a child in her care. The childminder gains clear information from parents to meet children's care routines consistently, and keeps them informed well as their children progress. For example, she agrees the next steps for their children's learning and how they can work together to help them succeed. The childminder has addressed the recommendations from the previous inspection. She has provided more opportunity for children to make their own decisions in play and evaluates her provision to make ongoing improvements. She extends this to encourage parents to share their views. They state, for example, their children are very well looked after, the childminder knows them well and she has been a positive part of their development.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

The childminder plans exciting activities to support children's interests and development. She joins in their play using good teaching skills to keep them engaged and learning. For example, children become absorbed in painting on a large wall board. The childminder encourages them to name the colours, and talks about their marks to encourage their language skills. She responds quickly to their ideas to keep them engaged, such as showing children how they can paint their hands to make different marks. She adds resources to build on children's learning, such as stencils for them to make different marks, and names these to build their vocabulary, such as 'farmer' and 'tractor'. Children show pride in their results, smiling and cheering.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

The childminder maintains safe and secure play areas for children. She checks all areas of her home and garden to identify and address any possible hazards to children. She helps them to learn about keeping safe, for instance, through helping them to find their own boundaries when balancing and climbing on physical play equipment and learning about road safety on outings. The childminder provides lots of trips in the local community to provide a good range of learning experiences and to help them learn about the diverse lives of others. For example, children join in soft-play sessions, attend playgroups, visit the shops and animal parks, and go swimming. This helps to build their understanding of the world and supports their physical development well.

Outcomes for children are good

Children are happy and confidently lead their own play and exploration. They develop key skills to prepare them for their next stage in learning and move to school. For example, children develop good social skills and communication. They learn to manage tasks independently, such as feeding themselves and changing clothes for play outside. Children use tools efficiently for making marks and physical play, and enjoy creating freely.

Setting details

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Local authority Wandsworth

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Type of provision Childminder

Day care type Childminder

Registers Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare

Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

Age range of children 1 - 2

Total number of places 5

Number of children on roll 2

Name of registered person

Date of previous inspection 28 April 2014

Telephone number

The childminder registered in 2013. She lives in the London Borough of Wandsworth. The childminder offers care from 7.30am to 6pm on Monday to Friday.

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