Childminder report



Inspection date	6 December 2018
Previous inspection date	20 October 2014

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection: Previous inspection:	Good Not Met (with actions)	2
Effectiveness of leadership and management		Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Good	2
Outcomes for children		Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision is good

- The childminder is caring and builds strong bonds with all children. This helps to support their emotional well-being. Children are happy, confident and eager to learn.
- The childminder builds on children's listening skills well. She provides a running commentary as children play and initiates many purposeful discussions. This helps to promote children's language skills.
- The childminder completes regular observations and assessments of children's development. She uses these to plan effectively for children's next steps in learning.
- The childminder acts as a positive role model and sets clear boundaries for children to follow. This helps them to manage their feelings and behaviour effectively.
- The childminder keeps children safe at all times. She conducts daily risk assessments to ensure the premises and resources are safe and suitable for children.
- The childminder does not consistently seek precise and detailed information from parents when children first start, to help maximise children's learning at the earliest opportunity.
- The childminder has not fully considered ways of raising children's awareness of similarities and differences, for example, with regard to different families, communities and traditions.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- strengthen partnerships with parents and seek detailed information on children's current abilities when they first start, to maximise their learning at the earliest opportunity
- extend support for children to learn about families, cultures and traditions beyond their own experience.

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the premises and reviewed the resources with the childminder.
- The inspector observed the childminder and children during their activities and discussed her observations with the childminder.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder and children throughout the inspection.
- The inspector looked at a range of documentation, including policies and procedures, risk assessments, and the children's learning and assessment records.

Inspector

Jane Franks

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The childminder supervises children vigilantly. She knows the signs to look out for and whom to report them to, should she have any concerns about the welfare of a child. The childminder reflects on her practice well. She seeks the views of parents and children to help maintain good standards and drive further improvements. The childminder takes positive steps to develop her skills. For example, recent training has re-enforced her knowledge and understanding of the signs that may suggest children and their families are potentially at risk from extreme views and ideas. The childminder monitors children's progress effectively and closes any gaps in their learning. She provides parents with information on their child's progress daily. Parents comment positively about the care that the childminder provides.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

The childminder follows children interests and provides a range of activities that motivates their play. For instance, children press buttons and turn handles to investigate how things work. The childminder interacts positively with children and makes good use of opportunities to challenge their learning. For instance, she encourages them to think about what might happen when they mix colours together. Children use a range of equipment to make marks and express their ideas. This helps to build on their early writing skills. Children use their imaginative skills well. For example, they take on different roles, pretending to feed and care for animals.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

Children are confident to ask for help from the childminder when they need it. They respond well to the praise they receive for their achievements and gain good levels of self-esteem. The childminder successfully supports children's physical skills. For example, children enjoy daily trips to local parks and play areas. Children develop an understanding of how to keep themselves safe. For example, they learn about road safety and take part in emergency evacuation drills. The childminder provides children with healthy foods and snacks. She talks about foods that are good for their bodies and that help them grow. This contributes to their good health.

Outcomes for children are good

Children make good progress in their development. They are polite, friendly and confident around adults. Children have many opportunities to develop their independence. They listen to and follow instructions and know their routines well. Children learn to express themselves successfully. For instance, they play musical instruments and enthusiastically dance to music. Children are developing the key skills they need for school. They are motivated to learn and show good levels of involvement.

Setting details

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Registers

Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare
Register, Voluntary Childcare Register

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Day care type Childminder

Age range of children 0 - 8

Total number of places 6

Number of children on roll 1

Date of previous inspection 20 October 2014

The childminder registered in 2006 and lives in Woking, Surrey. She works Monday to Friday from 8am to 6.30pm, for most of the year. The childminder holds an appropriate home-based childcare qualification.

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