

Childminder report

Inspection date	7 December 2018
Previous inspection date	11 July 2014

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection: Previous inspection:	Outstanding Met	1
Effectiveness of 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 provides a wealth of high-quality learning experiences. He engages with children extremely well and uses his knowledge of each child's age and stage of development highly effectively.
- Children thoroughly enjoy their time with the childminder and his co-childminder. They provide an extremely welcoming and homely environment where children can play safely.
- The quality of teaching is outstanding. Children are highly motivated to join in with activities. The childminder follows children's ideas and interests and plans precisely for the next steps in learning.
- The childminder quickly forms strong relationships with children and this helps them to settle very quickly. Children are confident to take risks and seek new experiences.
- The childminder promotes children's physical development and understanding of healthy lifestyles extremely well. Children learn how their bodies work during fun exercise routines to music, laughing as they squat and stand.
- Children's behaviour is exemplary. From a very young age, children understand the expectations and routines of the day and show high levels of respect for each other.
- Exceptional parent partnerships enhance children's learning so they make rapid progress. Information is shared consistently between the childminder and parents allowing both to support children's development to the highest level.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- continue to make the most of professional development opportunities that further enrich and maintain the outstanding quality of the provision.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed the quality of teaching during activities and experiences available to children.
- The inspector completed a joint observation of an activity with the childminder.
- The inspector took account of the views of parents through their written feedback.
- The inspector held a meeting with the childminder, sampled relevant documentation and evidence of suitability to work with children for adults living and working on the premises.

Inspector
Linda Shore

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is outstanding

The childminder, together with his co-childminder, carries out thorough evaluations of the home and teaching. He is keen to continue to expand his plans for professional development and deepen his skills even further, particularly in providing outdoor learning. Safeguarding is effective. The childminder has an excellent understanding of the procedures to follow regarding any concerns about a child's well-being. He monitors children's progress frequently and accurately. The childminder is highly committed to his role and is very effective in how he monitors the educational programmes and assesses children's next steps. Planning for children's learning is finely tuned to children's individual needs. This contributes exceptionally well to children's outstanding progress.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

The childminder works hard to teach children the importance of taking turns and sharing. He enables children to do as much as possible for themselves and always offers support and guidance when needed. The childminder skilfully promotes children's speech and language. Children who speak English as an additional language are invited to learn new English words through a game. When children are uncertain of the answer, he encourages them to use their home language and then helps them to learn the word in English. They are very pleased and excited with their accomplishments. Children are inspired to persevere as they use scissors for the difficult task of cutting the netting from the new Christmas tree. Children take part in many interesting and exciting trips into the local community and enjoy planning their next outing to buy Christmas lights from a local garden centre.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

Children enjoy engaging with the childminder, who offers continuous praise and encouragement. The learning environment is very inviting, incorporating children's interests and this helps motivate children to engage, explore and drive their own learning. Children manage their self-care and hygiene routines with high levels of competence. They enjoy healthy meals that they have prepared themselves. This helps to develop a deep understanding of how to lead a healthy lifestyle. Children take responsibility for washing the dishes after snack time, working well together as a team. They dry their hands on paper towels and understand which bin to use to ensure that it is recycled.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Children develop key skills ready for their next stage in learning exceptionally well. They flourish, are eager to learn and make outstanding rates of progress from their individual starting points. Children's literacy and mathematical skills are woven throughout all aspects of their daily routine and they develop excellent social and communication skills.

Setting details

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Local authority	Rochdale
Inspection number	10083196
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children	1 - 10
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	10
Date of previous inspection	11 July 2014

The childminder registered in 2013 and works with his wife, who is also a registered childminder. He provides care from Monday to Friday, from 6am to 6pm, all year round, except for family holidays and bank holidays. The childminder also offers weekend and overnight care by arrangement.

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