# Childminder report



Inspection date Previous inspection date	22 May 2019 5 February 2016	

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection: Previous inspection:	<b>Good</b> Good	<b>2</b> 2
Effectiveness of leadership and management		Good	2
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Good	2
Personal development, behaviour and welfare			2
Outcomes for children		Good	2

## Summary of key findings for parents

## This provision is good

- The childminder is dedicated and constantly seeks to enhance her practice and drive forward improvements. For example, she is planning to develop even further her understanding of how to support the care and learning of children with special educational needs and/or disabilities.
- Parents say they are happy with the service the childminder provides. Partnerships with parents are strong. The childminder consistently supports parents in extending their children's learning at home. Children benefit from the continuity in their learning.
- Children enjoy using a rich variety of resources that support all areas of their learning and which they can easily access.
- The childminder provides children with stimulating opportunities to explore the local area and learn about people whose lives and experiences may be different to their own. Children regularly share photographs of their families and special people and learn about their similarities and differences.
- The childminder is warm and caring, and children are secure in their relationship with her. For instance, older children seek to include her in their activities and younger ones turn to her for reassurance and comfort, if needed.
- Children are not always provided with enough time to think through and express their ideas.

## What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

provide children with more time to express their ideas in their own words, to help them make even better progress.

#### **Inspection activities**

- The inspector observed children as they were engaged in a variety of activities.
- The inspector looked at rooms and resources used by the childminder.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she met the recommendations from the last inspection.
- The inspector considered how the childminder reflects on her practice and her partnerships with parents.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she observes and assesses the children's progress, and discussed the teaching and learning that took place.

**Inspector** Ceri Callf

## **Inspection findings**

## Effectiveness of leadership and management is good

Safeguarding is effective. The childminder understands the signs and symptoms that may give her cause for concern about the welfare of a child in her care. She knows the procedure to follow if she has any concerns. She has made herself aware of how to identify any children who may be at risk of being exposed to extreme ideas or behaviours. The childminder uses her regular risk assessments effectively. For example, she has put strategies in place to help her keep children safe as they move in and out of lifts. The childminder works well with other settings to support children's learning and development.

## Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is good

Children benefit from a range of interesting opportunities to learn about the natural world. For example, they visit nearby nature reserves and green spaces and excitedly grow different plants. The childminder supports children's mathematical learning as she incorporates numbers, counting and quantity into a variety of activities. Children's physical skills develop as they crawl, roll and play with balls. They explore colour, sound and texture as they engage in exploratory activities. The childminder uses her regular observations effectively to identify children's immediate interests. She monitors their learning and carefully plans what children need to learn next. All children make good progress.

#### Personal development, behaviour and welfare are good

The childminder helps children to think about how their behaviour affects others. Children behave well. They learn to manage their own risk and keep themselves safe with careful support from the childminder. Children's developing social skills are supported well, for instance, as they attend local drop-in groups and learn to play in larger groups of children. Children enjoy eating fruit and vegetables and learn to lead a healthy lifestyle. They are gently encouraged to gain independence skills and carry out simple, manageable tasks. The childminder carefully nurtures children's emotional wellbeing and they are happy and settled. Children's outcomes are improved.

## Outcomes for children are good

Children are confident, self-motivated and eager to learn. Older children use their developing imaginations to create a 'boat' and delight in climbing in and out. Younger children experiment as they use play dough and simple tools. Children are willing to try new things, for instance, as they discover new, unfamiliar resources. They become engrossed in what they are doing and concentrate for long periods. Children use their developing literacy skills as they access books and sing to themselves. They are prepared well for the next stage in their learning.

## **Setting details**

Unique reference number	144539
Local authority	Hackney
Inspection number	10063108
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children	1 - 4
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	3
Date of previous inspection	5 February 2016

The childminder registered in 1992. She lives in the London Borough of Hackney. She operates her service Monday to Friday, from 8am to 6pm, for 48 weeks of the year.

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