

Childminder report

Inspection date	3 September 2018
Previous inspection date	27 August 2015

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection: Previous inspection:	Inadequate Good	4 2
Effectiveness of leadership and management		Inadequate	4
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment		Inadequate	4
Personal development, behaviour and welfare		Inadequate	4
Outcomes for children		Inadequate	4

Summary of key findings for parents

The provision is inadequate

- The childminder does not safeguard children effectively. For example, she allows children to use their own mobile phones to play adult games on.
- The childminder does not ensure that records needed for inspection are available and accessible.
- The childminder demonstrates a poor knowledge of the safeguarding and welfare requirements. For example, she has not made sure that her assistant has a current paediatric first aid certificate.
- The childminder does not keep records for all children which contain the required information to ensure their safety and welfare. For example, she does not make a record of injuries that occur to children when they are not in her care.
- The childminder fails to obtain necessary information about the health of children in her care. Therefore, she is unable to promote their health needs effectively.
- The childminder does not set out clear expectations for children's behaviour. This means children are unaware of the appropriate boundaries for using electronic devices.
- Children's next steps in learning are not planned for effectively by the childminder. Children's activities are not challenging, or targeted, to help them progress.
- Children are not given the best chance to develop the skills and knowledge necessary to promote their learning experience.

It has the following strengths

- Children are able to demonstrate their independence and growing confidence. For example, they use the toilet by themselves and help to set the table for supper time.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

The provision is inadequate and Ofsted intends to take enforcement action:

We will issue a Welfare Requirements Notice requiring the provider to:

	Due date
ensure the procedures set out in your safeguarding policy are implemented effectively. This is with particular regard to children being able to use their own mobile telephones to access inappropriate games.	26/10/2018
ensure that records are available and accessible for inspection	26/10/2018
ensure that any assistant who might be in sole charge of children holds a full current paediatric first aid certificate	26/10/2018
implement robust systems to ensure the effective, accurate and timely completion of records are maintained of existing injuries to children	26/10/2018
implement effective systems to promote the good health of children and have agreed procedures for dealing with children when they are ill	26/10/2018
ensure you have effective procedures in place to set appropriate boundaries for children's behaviour	26/10/2018

To meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage and Childcare

Register the provider must:

	Due date
ensure challenging and enjoyable activities are planned for children that take account of their individual needs, interests and stage of development	26/10/2018

Inspection activities

- The inspector spoke with children.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder and her assistant.
- The inspector viewed the premises both indoors and outdoors.
- The inspector reviewed evidence to confirm the suitability of persons living on the premises.

Inspector

Caroline Clarke

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of leadership and management is inadequate

Safeguarding is not effective. The childminder and her assistant lack the required knowledge of the safeguarding and welfare requirements. This has resulted in a number of breaches of the requirements. For example, the childminder allows children to use their own mobile phones, which can expose them to inappropriate adult material. The childminder did not have the required records available for inspection. She could not provide evidence that she had a current paediatric first aid qualification. Her assistant also did not have a current paediatric first aid qualification. The childminder had failed to make a record of an injury that occurred to a child when not in her care.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is inadequate

The childminder interacts poorly with children. Children were observed playing on electronic devices, instead of engaging in meaningful activities. The amount of teaching observed during the inspection was limited. The systems the childminder uses to assess children's development have not been completed well enough. This makes it difficult to assess how children are progressing. The childminder knows each child's interests, but she has not used this information to plan challenging and exciting activities for them. Opportunities to target specific areas in each child's development are missed.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are inadequate

Children's development, behaviour and welfare are not managed effectively by the childminder. For example, children regularly played on their own, using mobile phones, or play acting with pretend weapons. The childminder does not have effective systems in place to show children how to safely use a phone, or check the content of what they are viewing. The childminder does not explore with parents all the health needs of the children in her care. As a result she does not have all the children's relevant health information, to enable her to respond to their health needs appropriately.

Outcomes for children are inadequate

Outcomes for children are not good. The childminder does not put in place appropriate learning opportunities for children. As a result children are not developing the skills and knowledge they will need to prepare them for their next stage in learning.

Setting details

Unique reference number	220762
Local authority	Northamptonshire
Inspection number	10078689
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children	3 - 10
Total number of places	12
Number of children on roll	7
Date of previous inspection	27 August 2015

The childminder was registered in 1993 and lives in Kettering, Northamptonshire. She operates all year round from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. She provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children. The childminder works with two assistants.

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