

Childminder Report

Inspection date

7 January 2016

Previous inspection date

24 March 2009

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Outstanding	1
	Previous inspection:	Outstanding	1
Effectiveness of the 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 is highly motivated and a skilled teacher. Children make exceptional progress in her care.
- The childminder knows the children extremely well and places the highest priority on promoting their self-confidence and well-being. Children become confident, motivated learners and build excellent relationships with the childminder and each other.
- The childminder is an extremely reflective practitioner and takes into account the views of parents and children to help identify areas for ongoing improvement. She is fully proactive in developing her exceptional practice. She seeks out training opportunities, undertakes research and shares good practice.
- Partnerships with parents are excellent. Parents praise the childminder highly. They work closely together to share information about children's progress and interests to promote continuity of learning and care.
- The safety and welfare of children is central to the childminder's practice. She has an excellent understanding of how to keep children safe and secure, indoors and out of the setting.

What the setting needs to do to improve further

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

- build even more fully on children's interests to consistently target planning as precisely as possible.

Inspection activities

- The inspector observed children taking part in activities and during mealtimes.
- The inspector spoke with parents and took account of their views, both written and spoken.
- The inspector spoke with the children and the childminder throughout the inspection.
- The inspector viewed records, including children files, planning, self-evaluation records, improvement plans and suitability records.

Inspector

Karen Rolls

Inspection findings

Effectiveness of the leadership and management is outstanding

The childminder has an exceptional awareness of child protection issues and fully understands her responsibility to report any concerns that arise. Safeguarding is effective. The childminder has an extremely proactive approach to her own professional development and is an exceptionally reflective practitioner. She constantly looks for new ideas and new ways to enhance activities and learning for the children in her care. The childminder monitors progress extremely well, helping children to develop rapidly and securely. She works very successfully with the parents and shares information extremely well to promote continuity of care and education for every child.

Quality of teaching, learning and assessment is outstanding

Overall, arrangements to assess children's progress and promote their future learning are superb. The childminder does not always make the very best use of her knowledge of children's individual interests when planning activities but children all thoroughly enjoy the experiences she offers. The childminder is an excellent teacher and supports children exceptionally well. She very skilfully extends activities and provides challenge. For example, when children decide to make pictures, she provides additional resources, such as pretend snow, animal figures and brushes, to enhance their enjoyment and extend their skills. Children show wonderful concentration. For example, they persevere to achieve and perfect skills such as using tweezers to pick up items to stick on their pictures. Children respond very well to the encouragement and praise they receive from the childminder. She supports speech and communication exceptionally well. She listens to children with genuine interest and children learn to listen to each other. Children show that they feel valued and important in their conversations and interactions.

Personal development, behaviour and welfare are outstanding

The children behave beautifully. They are very confident, happy and form strong bonds with the childminder and each other. The childminder offers superb support for children to develop their emotional and physical well-being. Children learn to share and to understand the feelings and needs of others. They enjoy each other's company and play and learn very well together. The childminder successfully anticipates children's needs, for example, when they need to eat, drink or rest. She regularly takes them out to parks and groups so that they can experience their local community. Children enjoy exceptional opportunities to engage in physical play and to develop their strength and coordination.

Outcomes for children are outstanding

Children are confident and independent. They make excellent progress from their individual starting points and work beyond the expected levels for their age. Children are prepared exceptionally well for their future, including their move to nursery and school.

Setting details

Unique reference number	252803
Local authority	Bromley
Inspection number	826118
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	3
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	24 March 2009
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 1992. She lives in the London Borough of Bromley. The childminder operates daily from 8am to 6pm throughout the year.

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