

Inspection date	23 January 2015
Previous inspection date	25 March 2011

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Met	
	Previous inspection:	Satisfactory	3
The setting meets legal requirements for early years settings			

Summary of key findings for parents

The provision meets requirements

- The childminder understands her roles and responsibilities to safeguard children and has attended relevant training. She has a current paediatric first-aid certificate and holds public liability insurance. All required policies and procedures are in place and are available to parents.
- The childminder demonstrates a sufficient knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She has a variety of toys and resources to cover the seven areas of learning for children of all ages.
- The childminder has a good understanding of how to promote children's well-being. She is fully aware of the importance of a healthy diet and of providing regular opportunities for physical activities in the fresh air.
- The childminder provides a safe, clean and welcoming environment in which to care for children. She demonstrates her understanding of how to promote children's safety through risk assessments, which identify potential hazards and actions to minimise risks. She has a clear evacuation plan in the event of an emergency.
- The childminder demonstrates a commitment to working with parents and other professionals to develop strong partnerships. She understands the importance of sharing information to support children's individual care and learning needs. Written feedback from parents shows how they have valued her support over the years.
- The childminder keeps up to date with current practice and is aware of the importance of reflecting on her childminding provision in order to improve its quality and outcomes for children. She has addressed all recommendations from her previous inspection.

There were no children present when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children present, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed the childminder's understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements, and the systems she has in place to keep children safe.
- The inspector and childminder looked at the areas of the house and garden where childcare will be provided, along with the toys, resources and equipment that the childminder will use.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she will deliver the educational programmes for children.
- The inspector looked at policies and documents the childminder will use when caring for children.
- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability of the childminder and other household members.

Inspector

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Setting details

Unique reference number	EY137267
Local authority	Hertfordshire
Inspection number	998638
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 17
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	25 March 2011
Telephone number	

The childminder was registered in 2007 and lives in Watford. She operates all year round from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

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