

Inspection report for early years provision

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Introduction

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under Sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of the registered early years provision. 'Early years provision' refers to provision regulated by Ofsted for children from birth to 31 August following their fifth birthday (the early years age group). The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and welfare, known as the *Early Years Foundation Stage*.

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The setting also makes provision for children older than the early years age group which is registered on the voluntary and/or compulsory part(s) of the Childcare Register. This report does not include an evaluation of that provision, but a comment about compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register is included in Annex B.

There were no children on roll 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 on roll, 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 if the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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Description of the childminding

The childminder registered in 2006. She lives with her husband and their four children, all of whom are aged under eight years. They live in Barking, in the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham. The ground floor and one bedroom and the bathroom on the first floor are used for childminding. There is a garden for outside play.

The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of two children under eight years of age; of these none may currently be in the early years age range due to the fact that she home schools her own children. Therefore, at the time of the inspection there were no children on roll in the early years age group. The childminder currently cares for an older child before and after school. The childminder is registered on the Early Years Register and both parts of the Childcare Register.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of her responsibility to safeguard children. She explains how she would share her policy and procedure for safeguarding with parents so that they are aware of her responsibility to support children's welfare. The premises are safe and secure, with risk assessments undertaken regularly. The childminder holds a current first aid certificate, enabling her to support children's well-being should they sustain a minor injury. She demonstrates a secure understanding of promoting children's health. For example, she would provide healthy food and has clear procedures for administering medication to children.

The childminder explains how she would promote partnerships with parents through the sharing of information to meet children's individual needs. She would use a daily diary for young infants and daily discussion to maintain two-way sharing of information. The childminder would also share children's records with parents to involve them fully in their learning. The childminder also recognises the importance of working in partnership with other settings to help ensure continuity of care and learning. The childminder would provide parents with a detailed range of policies and procedures to help them understand how her service operates. This would include her equality of opportunity policy which shows how she provides a fully inclusive environment.

The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the learning requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She has a procedure for identifying children's starting points by seeking information from parents at the point of settling-in. She also has systems in place for observational assessment using various methods to collect evidence about children's learning. She knows how to use this information to plan for children's individual learning needs. She has a varied range of resources which she would make easily available to children so that they could make choices

about their play

Compliance with registration requirements

The registered person continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are:	Met
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The provider confirms that the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are:	Met
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