

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 is registered on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She lives with her husband and their two children in Woodley, Berkshire. The childminder makes use of local facilities such as, parks and toddler groups. The childminder can take children to and collect them from local schools. The family have a pet snake.

The childminder uses the whole of the house for childminding. A fully enclosed rear garden is available for outside play. She is registered to care for a maximum of five children aged under eight years at any one time; of these, two children may be in the early years age range.

There were no children on roll in the early year's age group at the time of inspection.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder meets the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. Through discussion the childminder is able to explain her role and responsibility in promoting children's welfare and she also holds a current first aid certificate. The childminder has a suitable understanding of child protection issues and procedures to support her in safeguarding children's welfare. She has attended safeguarding training and has a range of written policies and procedures on safeguarding, and health and safety. These are shared with parents. The childminder is able to demonstrate how she provides a safe environment for the children for example, completing a range of risk assessments both inside, outside and for each outing.

Through discussion, the childminder is able to demonstrate how she will support children in their individual learning and development through the use of observations and assessments. She has a range of easily accessible resources to promote each area of learning, including resources, which reflect positive images of diversity. The childminder demonstrates through discussion how she would promote an inclusive setting for all children and their families. The childminder understands the importance of working in partnership with parents, carers and other professionals to provide continuity and consistency for the children in her care. The childminder explains how she supports children and parents to settle in and how she seeks information about their child's individual needs, requirements and interests.

The childminder is able to provide healthy snacks for the children taking into account children's individual dietary needs and parental wishes. The childminder describes the routines she will adopt to encourage children to learn about the importance of adopting a healthy lifestyle. The childminder is aware of the need to evaluate her practice and she demonstrates a positive approach to continuous improvement. For example, she has addressed the recommendations from her last inspection. The childminder continues to be a network childminder and she

regularly attends training provided by the local authority

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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