

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 was registered in 2007. She lives with her husband and three children aged 10, six and one in Oakwood on the outskirts of Leeds. The home is close to shops, parks, schools and public transport links. The ground floor playroom is used for childminding and the toilet facilities are also on the ground floor. There is an outdoor play area to the side and rear of the premises. The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of four children at any one time. At the present time there are no children on roll. This provision is registered by Ofsted on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder demonstrates through discussion and documentation their sound understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She is completing a degree qualification in teaching and the training is enhancing her understanding of children's development towards the early learning goals. There are suitable systems in place to ensure children are provided with experiences and resources to make sufficient progress towards their early learning goals. Children's play is safely managed with effective organisation of space and resources within the playroom area. The childminder makes good use of local facilities and places of interest. Children's understanding of diversity is promoted through the sound range of activities and experiences available. There are sufficient resources to support children's understanding of other cultures and disability. She is aware of monitoring children's progress through the use of individual assessment folders.

The childminder has a secure understanding of what to do if there are any safeguarding concerns regarding a child in their care. The comprehensive policy for safeguarding includes the action to take, telephone numbers of whom to contact and the system for recording any action taken. The childminder is vigilant about children's security keeping doors and gates locked. Risk assessments and daily checklists help the childminder to consider potential hazards and she develops children's awareness of staying safe, through simple rules and appropriate explanations. All required documentation for the efficient management of any future service is accessible and in place.

Partnerships with parents, carers and other agencies are built through the understanding of sharing of information to meet children's individual needs. She is aware of the importance of partnerships with other professionals and has experience of working with local schools and after school clubs. The childminder is committed to future training and developing her understanding of children's development. She has close contact with the local authority and is considering the use of self-evaluation to monitor and evaluate her practice in the future.

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

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

Met