

Inspection date

Previous inspection date

29/05/2014

Not Applicable

The quality and standards of the early years provision

This inspection:

Met

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The provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a sound knowledge and understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage. She demonstrates a secure understanding of how to safeguard children and how to provide a safe and secure environment in order to promote children's physical and emotional well-being.
- The childminder provides an interesting and stimulating learning environment which supports children to access resources for themselves and make decisions in their play.
- The childminder is aware of the importance of working with parents, carers and other professionals, such as pre-school teachers, to identify children's individual needs and to ensure a consistent approach is developed.
- The childminder demonstrates a strong drive and motivation for developing her practice further. She uses a self-evaluation document to identify her strengths and areas for improvement and is pro-active in seeking support from training, the local authority and other providers, such as childminders.

Information about this inspection

Inspections of registered early years provision are:

- scheduled at least once in every inspection cycle – the current cycle ends on 31 July 2016
- scheduled more frequently where Ofsted identifies a need to do so, for example where provision was previously judged inadequate
- brought forward in the inspection cycle where Ofsted has received information that suggests the provision may not be meeting the legal requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage or where assessment of the provision identifies a need for early inspection
- prioritised where we have received information that the provision is not meeting the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage and which suggests children may not be safe
- scheduled at the completion of an investigation into failure to comply with the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

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 whether the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

The provision is also registered on the voluntary and compulsory parts of the Childcare Register. This report includes a judgment about compliance with the requirements of that register.

Inspection activities

- Through discussion, observation and scrutinising documentation the inspector checked that the childminder was meeting the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.
- The inspector spoke with the childminder about her intentions for the daily routines, children's individual learning and self-evaluation.
- The inspector looked at a selection of policies and procedures, which included safeguarding and complaints, children's assessment and planning records, self-evaluation and a range of other documentation.
- The inspector checked evidence of suitability and qualifications of the childminder.

Inspector

Dianne Adams

Full report

Information about the setting

The childminder was registered in 2013 on the Early Years Register and the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. There were no children on roll at the time of inspection. The childminder lives with her husband and two children aged three years and fourteen months in a house in the Halesowen area of the West Midlands. The whole of the ground floor within the property is used for childminding and there is a fully enclosed garden available for outside play. The family has two cats as pets. The childminder attends a local childminder group and local toddler groups. She visits the local shops, the library and park on a regular basis. She is able to collect children from the local schools and pre-schools. She is operating all year round from 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday except for family holidays.

The Childcare Register

The requirements for the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are

Met

The requirements for the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are

Met

What inspection judgements mean

Registered early years provision

Grade	Judgement	Description
Grade 1	Outstanding	Outstanding provision is highly effective in meeting the needs of all children exceptionally well. This ensures that children are very well prepared for the next stage of their learning.
Grade 2	Good	Good provision is effective in delivering provision that meets the needs of all children well. This ensures children are ready for the next stage of their learning.
Grade 3	Requires improvement	The provision is not giving children a good standard of early years education and/or there are minor breaches of the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. It will be monitored and inspected within twelve months of the date of this inspection.
Grade 4	Inadequate	Provision that is inadequate requires significant improvement and/or enforcement action. The provision is failing to give children an acceptable standard of early years education and/or is not meeting the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage. It will be monitored and inspected again within six months of the date of this inspection.
Met		The provision has no children on roll. The inspection judgement is that the provider continues to meet the requirements for registration.
Not met		The provision has no children on roll. The inspection judgement is that the provider does not meet the requirements for registration.

Inspection

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of provision that is registered on the Early Years Register. The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and care, known as the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY469744
Local authority	Dudley
Inspection number	943844
Type of provision	Childminder
Registration category	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 17
Total number of places	4
Number of children on roll	0
Name of provider	
Date of previous inspection	not applicable
Telephone number	

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Sessional provision operates for more than two hours but does not exceed three hours in any one day. These are usually known as pre-schools, kindergartens or nursery schools

and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. They are registered on the Early Years Register and pay the lower fee for registration.

Childminders care for one or more children where individual children attend for a period of more than two hours in any one day. They operate from domestic premises, which are usually the childminder's own home. They are registered on the Early Years Register and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Out of school provision may be sessional or full-time provision and is delivered before or after school and/or in the summer holidays. They are registered on the Early Years Register and must deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. Where children receive their Early Years Foundation Stage in school these providers do not have to deliver the learning and development requirements in full but should complement the experiences children receive in school.

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