

# Parents



**Ofsted registers and inspects childcare for children aged from birth to 17 years.**

Registered childcare providers and childminders have to meet requirements that relate to welfare and safety, the people providing the care and the organisation of the childcare. Childcarers registered on the Early Years Register, who care for children aged from birth until 31 August following a child's fifth birthday, also have to meet requirements for children's learning and development.

### **What you can tell us**

- Is the childcare good?
- Can it be made better?
- Do you have any concerns?

If you want to tell us anything about your child's childcare, you can ring

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