

Childminder report

Inspection date:

20 February 2024

**The quality and
standards of early
years provision**

**This
inspection**

Not met (with actions)

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision does not meet requirements

- The childminder does not have a current paediatric first-aid certificate. She has allowed this to lapse. The childminder does demonstrate some understanding of current first-aid practices, but there are some gaps in her knowledge, which could place children at risk. This is a breach of the statutory requirements.
- The childminder is aware of the signs and symptoms that may indicate that a child is at risk of harm and knows how to report concerns about a child's welfare. However, she is uncertain of the actions that must be taken if there are any allegations made against her or a member of her household. This means children's safety cannot be assured.
- The childminder ensures that her premises are safe and suitable for children. She monitors the environment and visually assesses risk in her home. The childminder can explain how she keeps children safe at school pick-up times. She also maintains good partnership working with other settings that the children attend to provide continuity.
- The childminder demonstrates an understanding of healthy eating and how to manage dietary requirements and allergies. She describes cooking food from scratch and providing a healthy balanced menu for the children. She also talks confidently about how she promotes good hygiene practices to help support children's health and physical well-being.
- The childminder understands the importance of setting clear boundaries and expectations for behaviour. She helps children to understand this by talking to them about acceptable behaviours. She explains how she builds positive relationships with children and families through warm and caring interactions when they attend her setting. This helps children to understand what behaviour is acceptable.
- The childminder knows the appropriate measures to take for reporting minor accidents, incidents and administering medication to support children's health and well-being.

There were no children in the early years age range present 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 early years children present, 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.

What does the setting need to do to improve?

To meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage and Childcare Register the provider must:

	Due date
undertake and maintain a full and relevant paediatric first-aid qualification	07/03/2024
improve knowledge and understanding of how to manage allegations in line with local safeguarding partnership procedures.	07/03/2024

Setting details

Unique reference number	138149
Local authority	Merton
Inspection number	10305380
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children at time of inspection	6 to 8
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	2
Date of previous inspection	20 February 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 1996. She lives in Wimbledon, in the London Borough of Merton. The childminder operates on Monday to Thursday from 3pm until 6pm. She only offers care before and after school to children above Reception age.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Gary Pickett

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the childminder received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the childminder and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the setting.
- The childminder showed the inspector around the premises and discussed how she will ensure they remain safe and suitable.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder about the service she provides.

We carried out this inspection 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.

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