

Childminder report

Inspection date:

5 March 2025

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a sound knowledge and understanding of how to protect children from harm. She is experienced in identifying and managing concerns and is confident with the procedures to follow. The childminder uses her professional curiosity to make sure that all issues are explored in the interests of the child. She is continually updating her knowledge through training and undertakes regular reading and research to keep up to date with new information.
- The childminder explains how she focuses on giving children a broad range of activities. She describes how she makes very good use of the local community to give children rich experiences that they may not have experienced previously. She explains how it is also important that children experience things for themselves, to bring the learning to life. For example, children visit a local national trust property, woodlands, park and the local shops.
- The childminder has a strong understanding of how to plan an appropriate curriculum for children. She describes how she carefully plans what children will learn from each activity. She explains how she revisits this so that children are secure in what they are learning. The childminder has a clear understanding of the key skills and knowledge children need to acquire before they start school. She also places importance on children learning life skills, such as first aid and managing their own safety.
- The childminder explains how she is very keen to ensure that children are allowed to explore, express themselves and make decisions about what they play with. She describes how she would use some newly acquired resources to help children to begin to recognise their emotions and to seek support, where needed. The childminder explains that she recognises children need time to themselves to develop their interests, concentration and imagination.
- The childminder demonstrates a strong commitment to working in partnership with parents, carers and other professionals to ensure children's needs are met. She describes how she gathers detailed information when children first start, and builds trusting relationships with parents to enable a two-way flow of information. She explains how she takes a proactive approach in her communication with other professionals to ensure children receive the support they need.

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.

Setting details

Unique reference number	207308
Local authority	Derbyshire
Inspection number	10367770
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	0 to 0
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	25 February 2019

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 1996 and lives in Tibshelf, Derbyshire. She operates all year round, from 12 midday to 6pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and from 9am to 6pm on Wednesday. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 4.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Justine Ellaway

Inspection activities

- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The inspector reviewed documents such as evidence of training.
- The inspector asked the childminder questions to check her understanding of the statutory framework for the early years foundation stage.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about how they would plan and implement their curriculum.

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.

If you are not happy with the inspection or the report, you can [complain to Ofsted](#).

The Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills (Ofsted) regulates and inspects to achieve excellence in the care of children and young people, and in education and skills for learners of all ages. It regulates and inspects childcare and children's social care, and inspects the Children and Family Court Advisory and Support Service (Cafcass), schools, colleges, initial teacher training, further education and skills, adult and community learning, and education and training in prisons and other secure establishments. It assesses council children's services, and inspects services for looked after children, safeguarding and child protection.

If you would like a copy of this document in a different format, such as large print or Braille, please telephone 0300 123 1231, or email enquiries@ofsted.gov.uk.

You may reuse this information (not including logos) free of charge in any format or medium, under the terms of the Open Government Licence. To view this licence, visit www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/, write to the Information Policy Team, The National Archives, Kew, London TW9 4DU, or email: psi@nationalarchives.gsi.gov.uk

This publication is available at <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/>.

Interested in our work? You can subscribe to our monthly newsletter for more information and updates: <http://eepurl.com/iTrDn>.

Piccadilly Gate
Store Street
Manchester
M1 2WD

T: 0300 123 1231
Textphone: 0161 618 8524
E: enquiries@ofsted.gov.uk
W: www.gov.uk/ofsted

© Crown copyright 2025