

Childminder report

Inspection date:

13 January 2022

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not applicable

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder understands the importance of providing a curriculum that ignites children's curiosity and passion for learning. She takes children on regular outings to the library, so they can select books to take home to share with their parents. The childminder recognises that this partnership working helps to provide continuity in children's learning.
- The childminder demonstrates a secure awareness of how to support children who speak English as an additional language. She understands that children need to feel safe and secure before they feel confident to use new words and phrases. The childminder recognises the benefits of singing songs, using gestures and giving simple instructions, to help children to tune in and listen.
- Inclusion is at the heart of the childminder's practice. She is willing to care for any child regardless of their needs. The childminder has a secure knowledge of how to meet the needs of children with special educational needs and/or disabilities. She also has experience of working with other professionals to help her meet children's individual learning and care needs.
- The childminder organises her home effectively to meet the needs of children. She has a wide selection of toys, resources and activities that are readily available. The childminder explains that these would be accessible at all times, so that children have opportunities to practise and consolidate their learning.
- The childminder understands the importance of keeping children safe. She provides overnight care and is aware that children need to be supervised at all times. The childminder demonstrates how effective hygiene practices would be maintained. For example, she explains that each child has individual bedding that is freshly laundered.
- The childminder has a secure knowledge of matters relating to child protection. For example, she has an effective mobile phone policy. The childminder is also confident in the procedures to follow should she have any concerns about a minded child.
- The childminder keeps her knowledge up to date via training and webinars. She also demonstrates a commitment to continually improve the quality of her practice.

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	2522918
Local authority	Bolton
Inspection number	10151977
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	3 to 12
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	5
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2019 and lives in Little Lever, Bolton. She operates seven days per week, all year round, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder also provides overnight care on request. She provides funded early education for three- and four-year-old children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Tricia Graham

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 provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the childminder.
- The inspector viewed all areas of the premises, including the back garden.
- Discussions were held with the childminder throughout the inspection.
- The inspector reviewed some documents, including the childminder's first-aid certificate.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she evaluates her practice.
- The inspector considered how the childminder works in partnership with parents and others.
- The inspector talked to the childminder about the curriculum.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she meets the safeguarding and welfare requirements.

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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