

Childminder report

Inspection date:

5 July 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 describes how she will work with parents to decide how to settle children into her care. This process is individual to each child and adaptable as settling progresses. This helps children settle well into the new environment and routine at the childminder's home.
- The childminder describes how children play and learn in a home-from-home environment. She organises toys and resources to ensure children can independently access what they want to play with. This encourages children to make choices about their learning and follow their interests.
- The childminder has access to a shared garden where children can play safely. She describes how she takes children on trips to local parks, museums and play groups. This gives children plenty of opportunities to socialise and extend their understanding of the wider world.
- Children can choose from a wide range of books. The childminder shares how she puts age-appropriate books at different levels, so they are fully accessible. For example, babies books are at floor level. The childminder describes how she takes children to the local library for music sessions and to choose new books. This helps children gain a love of reading from an early age.
- The childminder has a wide range of activities and resources to support children's development across all learning areas. The childminder shares how she observes children as they play and uses this information to make plans for their future learning. She shares her plans with parents, which helps parents provide continuity at home.
- The childminder has a range of interesting pets, which children can help care for. She describes how younger children love to feed the animals while older children learn about their habitats. The childminder describes the unique opportunity for children to learn how to look after and respect animals.
- The childminder shares how children bring their own packed lunches to her home. She explains her policy on healthy eating and shares information to support parents to provide healthy food. The childminder provides snacks of fruit and vegetables. She describes how she will teach children about healthy lifestyles. This helps children gain a good understand of how to stay healthy.
- Through discussion, the childminder shares how children will play safely and securely in her clean and well-organised home. The childminder ensures a high level of cleanliness to ensure children's well-being. She conducts regular risk assessments to identify hazards and address them swiftly.
- The childminder has a secure knowledge of safeguarding. She knows who to contact if she has any concerns about a child or if there are allegations against a member of her household. The childminder describes how she will talk to parents about online safety and parental controls. This helps the childminder to promote children's best interests.

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	2549850
Local authority	Lewisham
Inspection number	10232030
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	2 to 3
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	2
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2019. She lives in the Forest Hill area of the London Borough of Lewisham. The childminder operates her service from 7.30am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, all year round. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Trina Lynskey

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the provider 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 provider.
- The childminder and the inspector held discussions about the curriculum at the setting.
- The childminder demonstrated her knowledge of early years development through discussion and records of her work.
- The inspector asked the childminder about her safeguarding policies and procedures.
- The inspector reviewed documents relevant to the inspection process.

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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