

Childminder report

Inspection date:

22 June 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 has a secure understanding of how to ensure children are safeguarded. She can recognise the possible signs and symptoms of abuse that may indicate a child is at risk of harm, radicalisation or female genital mutilation. The childminder has a safeguarding policy and procedure in place which is shared with parents. She knows how to refer any concerns.
- The childminder explains that she will work closely with parents from the start. This will help her find out about the child and help to determine the child's interests and their starting points. She offers settling-in periods that can be tailored to the child's needs. She knows this will ensure an effective transition period for the child.
- The childminder is knowledgeable about the learning and development requirements of the early years foundation stage. She demonstrates a good understanding of how to use assessment to identify children's next steps. The childminder knows this will help build on what children already know and can do.
- The childminder knows how to support children's behaviour appropriately. For example, the childminder would help children to understand their actions and the impact it has on others.
- The childminder explains how she will promote children's good health. For example, she knows children need fresh air and exercise every day. She understands the importance of healthy foods and she knows how to provide a healthy balanced diet that meets children's dietary needs.
- The childminder knows how to keep the indoor and outdoor environment safe and hygienic for children. She holds a current paediatric first-aid certificate and describes her process for recording any accident or injuries.
- The childminder has a good knowledge of supporting children with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). She describes how she would gather information from parents and other professionals to ensure an inclusive environment. The childminder explains that working together will help to meet the child's needs and identify any additional support needed. She knows this would help the child make good progress from their starting points.

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	2568303
Local authority	North Northamptonshire
Inspection number	10239359
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	3
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The childminder is based in the village of Irchester, Northamptonshire. She registered in 2020. She operates all year round from 8am until 6pm, Monday to Thursday, except bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds an appropriate childcare qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Susan Hyatt

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 inspector checked the childminder's understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The childminder explained to the inspector how she plans her curriculum and how she works in partnership with parents.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about how she will support children with SEND.

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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