

Childminder report

Inspection date:

14 February 2023

**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 knows how to plan a curriculum that is rich and varied to support the development of children. She confidently discusses how she would use assessment to check what children know and can do, and identify any gaps in children's learning. She identifies how to use this information to plan suitably challenging activities.
- The childminder has a thorough understanding of her role and responsibilities in relation to safeguarding children. She risk assesses her home and any outings the children might go on to help minimise any hazards. The childminder undertakes relevant training. She keeps her knowledge and skills up to date, to help her to recognise when a child may be at risk of harm.
- The childminder demonstrates an understanding of how to encourage children to respect and value others. She discusses how she would use the local community to help children understand about their own culture, as well as celebrating and learning about other cultures and religions.
- The childminder acknowledges the importance of ensuring children have a healthy diet and a good range of opportunities for fresh air and daily physical exercise.
- The childminder values the role that parents play in their child's well being and development. She recognises the importance of forming strong partnerships with parents as soon as children start, and discusses the various ways she shares information with them. For example, through newsletters, home visits and a notice board full of information.
- The childminder is extremely well qualified and experienced. She has an in-depth knowledge of child development, how children learn and keeps herself up to date with early years foundation stage developments. She values continued professional development, completing training regularly, and has made good links with other professionals.
- The childminder recognises the importance of self-evaluation. She has procedures in place to help her evaluate and enhance her provision. Children's and families' feedback is regularly obtained and valued.

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	2593721
Local authority	Nottinghamshire County Council
Inspection number	10251320
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	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2020 and lives near Cotgrave, Nottinghamshire. She operates from 7.30am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, and all year round, except for family and bank holidays. The childminder holds qualified teacher status.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Carly Polak

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the childminder received since the 2020-21 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 inspector viewed a range of relevant policies and held discussions on how these would be implemented.
- The inspector viewed the areas of the home and garden that would be used by children.
- The inspector asked the childminder questions throughout the inspection to establish her understanding of the statutory requirements.
- The inspector viewed relevant documentation, such as the childminder's qualifications and suitability to work with children.
- The inspector viewed the childminder's own self evaluation documents, including parents' feedback.
- The inspector checked the childminder's knowledge on how to safeguard children, including the procedures she would follow if she had concerns.

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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