

Childminder report

Inspection date:

10 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 intends to complete regular assessments and observations of the children to inform her planning. She will organise the setting based on the children's interests and next steps, and will continue to revise and adapt these to ensure they remain relevant as the children progress.
- The childminder is clear about her responsibility to collect and share information with parents and other professionals. She will ensure she gathers information about the children's interests and starting points when they first begin to settle in. Learning journals will be sent home to parents, so that they can read about their children's activities and achievements and comment on them. The childminder explains how she will continue to maintain her already good links with the local schools and nurseries to ensure improved outcomes for children.
- The childminder understands the benefits of being a positive role model. She intends to ensure children know what is expected of their behaviour. The childminder will teach children to respect other peoples' similarities and differences. This includes different religious beliefs and backgrounds. She is keen to explore different festivals and celebrations with the children to introduce them to new experiences and an awareness of different faiths and cultures.
- The childminder considers healthy lifestyles and is enthusiastic about teaching children to be safe and healthy. She intends to take children on nature hunts and to local parks. Children will have regular opportunities to play outside in the garden and attend playgroups and soft-play centres. The childminder discusses confidently how she will teach the children about keeping themselves safe and about road safety.
- The childminder understands how to safeguard children and who to report any concerns to. Her knowledge of child protection issues and signs that a child might be at risk of harm or abuse is strong. She demonstrates a good knowledge of wider safeguarding issues. The childminder understands the importance of supervising the children in all areas of the premises.
- The childminder can talk confidently about her role in caring for children and giving them the best possible experience. She has attended relevant training to ensure her knowledge remains up to date. She recognises her own strengths and continues to identify new training ideas alongside this.

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	2598589
Local authority	Luton
Inspection number	10265195
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 in Luton. She operates all year round from 8am until 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Aimee Dillard

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 childminder and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the setting.
- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder to establish her knowledge and understanding of the requirements for the early years foundation stage.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the educational programmes for children in the early years age range, her methods for assessing children's progress, and how she works in partnership with others.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she meets the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The inspector discussed any ongoing professional development and training that the childminder has attended.

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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