

Childminder report

Inspection date:

16 March 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 has a good knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements of the early years foundation stage. She explains the importance of children learning through play. The childminder describes how she would use children's interests to help them acquire new skills. She is confident in her plans to help prepare children for the next stage in their education.
- Children's safety is prioritised by the childminder, her home is safe and suitable for childminding purposes. The childminder understands that keeping children safe is her responsibility. She confidently describes various types of child abuse, such as neglect and radicalisation. Her understanding of how to report any concerns about children's safety is robust. She has clear procedures in place to follow if an allegation is made against an adult. The childminder attends safeguarding training to help keep her knowledge up to date.
- Children will have access to calm spaces to play and read. Books, relaxation and enjoyment are priorities for the childminder. There are opportunities for children to explore and access a varied curriculum. Children will engage in activities such as recycling, gardening and cooking, to learn to value the world in which they live. The childminder is committed to ensuring children learn about differences that exist in society by learning about different cultures. These activities are intended to help children develop respectful attitudes.
- The childminder understands how to promote children's good health. She describes encouraging children to help cook a range of healthy meals and snacks to enjoy. The childminder values outdoor learning. Children will have access to a garden to play and learn in. They will also enjoy daily walks in the local environment to learn about nature and the community in which they live. Visits to the woods and play areas will support children's physical development as they can run, climb and develop their coordination skills.
- The childminder is aware of the need to reflect on and evaluate her practice to ensure continuous improvement. She accesses relevant training and continuously improves her knowledge through reading and independent research. As a result, she demonstrates a good knowledge of how children learn.
- Partnerships with parents are extremely important to the childminder. She describes how she will involve parents in assessing their children's development and ask for their input when planning experiences for children. She will regularly exchange information with parents regarding children's progress. This will help to support parents to continue their child's learning at home.
- The childminder has an excellent understanding of how she will promote children's positive behaviour. She explains that children will be supported to treat others respectfully. She will reward good behaviours, such as sharing equipment and using good manners.

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	2615218
Local authority	Cheshire East
Inspection number	10276042
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 2021 and lives in Disley, Stockport. She operates all year round from 7am to 7pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder offers overnight care.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Deborah Magee

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 inspector discussed how the childminder will deliver educational programmes for early years children, including the activities, experiences and resources she will provide.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder to assess her knowledge of the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the early years foundation stage.
- A range of relevant documentation was sampled by the inspector, including evidence of the childminder's suitability and training.

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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