

Childminder report

Inspection date:

6 June 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 offers a home-from-home environment and is committed to getting things right for families. For example, she carries out research and completes training to develop her childcare knowledge. She shares how she will plan activities and outings around children's individual needs, abilities and interests. Children will be offered a child-led approach to allow them to make choices within their play and learning.
- The childminder has established systems which she will use to support and monitor children's development. She will use regular observations to assess children's progress and help her identify their next steps in learning. The childminder has recently completed special education needs training to ensure she can quickly identify when children need additional support.
- The childminder has a clear and focused curriculum to help support children's learning and development. She intends to focus on supporting children's social skills, confidence and physical development. The childminder explains how she will visit local places to build children's confidence and social interactions. She will plan a variety of outdoor experiences, such as climbing on slides, using scooters and ball games.
- The childminder will promote children's communication and language skills through activities, such as singing and stories. She explains how she will use different teaching skills to support this. For example, the use of single words, repeating words and commenting on what children are doing. Children will be helped to develop a love of reading through activities, such as visiting the local library. They will have access to a wide range of books within their learning environment.
- The childminder values partnerships with parents. She explains how she will gather information about children's development and care routines prior to children starting. The childminder will provide regular feedback to parents regarding children's care, interests, and development. She will also gather parents' views to help her identify strengths and areas of improvement.
- Children's independence will be supported through daily routines and play activities. Children will learn to wash and dry their hands independently. The childminder will support children to become confident in putting on and taking off their coats. Children will be encouraged to cut their own food during mealtimes. The childminder recognises how this will support children's school readiness.
- The childminder risk assesses her environment to ensure children remain safe in her care. For example, completing outdoor checks and ensuring doors are locked. She knows what to do if she has a concern about a child. The childminder also knows the procedure to follow if an allegation is made against herself or a household member. She knows the main types and signs of abuse and is also aware of local safeguarding concerns, such as female genital mutilation, county lines and radicalisation.

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	2617248
Local authority	Nottinghamshire County Council
Inspection number	10280967
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	4
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 Nottingham. She operates all year round, from 7.30am to 5.30pm, Monday to Friday, except for the bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder has an appropriate level 3 qualification.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Sarah Davies

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 childminder.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of those living on the premises.
- The inspector viewed areas of the premises used for childminding.

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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