

Childminder report

Inspection date:

12 October 2023

**The quality and
standards of early
years provision**

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Inadequate

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- Through discussion, the childminder demonstrates that she knows how to plan a curriculum that engages and challenges children and meets their individual learning needs. She talks about how she considers what skills and knowledge children already have when identifying what would be developmentally appropriate for them to learn next.
- The childminder recognises the importance of forming partnerships with parents. She gathers information about children from their parents at the start and gives regular feedback to support children's learning and development at home.
- The childminder understands her responsibilities to protect children from harm. She has updated her safeguarding policy and procedures and knows the process to follow if she has concerns about a child's welfare. She is clear about what to do in the event of an allegation against an adult living or working at her setting.
- The childminder knows how to provide a safe and secure environment. She recognises potential hazards and takes appropriate action to minimise the risks to children. For example, the pond is covered to prevent children from accessing it without supervision and knives and medication are kept out of children's reach.
- The childminder talks about how she teaches children to behave and supports their emotional development. She understands how to teach children to share and take turns, be kind and play nicely with their friends.
- The childminder knows how to promote healthy lifestyles. She understands the importance of providing nutritional snacks and meals, teaching children to wash their hands regularly and prioritising hygienic practices during nappy changes. She describes how she ensures children have plenty of opportunities to be physically active and play in the fresh air.

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	2623189
Local authority	Cornwall
Inspection number	10297595
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	1 to 11
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	4
Date of previous inspection	2 May 2023

Information about this early years setting

The childminder lives in Helston, Cornwall, and registered in 2021. She offers care Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 7.30am to 6pm all year round, plus some Saturdays by prior arrangement. She holds an appropriate level 3 qualification.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Sarah Madge

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed any continued impact of the pandemic with the childminder and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- Although there were no minded children in the early age range present at the time of this inspection, there were children present who were over the age of five years.
- The inspector viewed the premises and talked to the childminder about how she ensures the safety and suitability of the premises.
- The childminder described how she organises her curriculum and supports children to make progress in their learning.
- The childminder shared her knowledge of safeguarding with the inspector and talked about the day-to-day running of the setting.
- The inspector sampled a range of documents, including the childminder's first-aid certificate, attendance records and safeguarding policy.

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.

If you are not happy with the inspection or the report, you can [complain to Ofsted](#).

The Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills (Ofsted) regulates and inspects to achieve excellence in the care of children and young people, and in education and skills for learners of all ages. It regulates and inspects childcare and children's social care, and inspects the Children and Family Court Advisory and Support Service (Cafcass), schools, colleges, initial teacher training, further education and skills, adult and community learning, and education and training in prisons and other secure establishments. It assesses council children's services, and inspects services for looked after children, safeguarding and child protection.

If you would like a copy of this document in a different format, such as large print or Braille, please telephone 0300 123 1231, or email enquiries@ofsted.gov.uk.

You may reuse this information (not including logos) free of charge in any format or medium, under the terms of the Open Government Licence. To view this licence, visit www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/, write to the Information Policy Team, The National Archives, Kew, London TW9 4DU, or email: psi@nationalarchives.gsi.gov.uk

This publication is available at <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/>.

Interested in our work? You can subscribe to our monthly newsletter for more information and updates: <http://eepurl.com/iTrDn>.

Piccadilly Gate
Store Street
Manchester
M1 2WD

T: 0300 123 1231
Textphone: 0161 618 8524
E: enquiries@ofsted.gov.uk
W: www.gov.uk/ofsted

© Crown copyright 2023