

Childminder report

Inspection date:

17 November 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 thorough understanding of child protection. She knows how to identify when a child may be at risk of harm and how to refer concerns appropriately. The childminder has a secure knowledge of the procedures to follow should an allegation be made against herself or any adult living in her home. She carries out risk assessments to minimise any potential hazards and is aware of supporting children to keep themselves safe.
- The childminder has high expectations for children's behaviour. She explains how she helps children to develop positive relationships and to understand how their behaviour impacts others. The childminder discusses how she provides experiences for children to encourage conversation about emotions to help them regulate behaviour and understand their feelings.
- The childminder understands the importance of planning and implementing a purposeful curriculum. She explains how she provides experiences for children based on their interests and the next stage of learning and development. The childminder has systems to observe and monitor children's progress and swiftly identify any gaps in their development.
- The childminder describes how she will provide children with opportunities to learn about the community they live in. She explains that she will take children on regular walks through the village, visiting the community hub and local library.
- The childminder understands the importance of teaching children about healthy lifestyles. She states she does this through discussions around the dinner table and involves children in preparing healthy meals and snacks. The childminder discussed how she provides children with daily fresh air and exercise to support their physical development and emotional well-being.
- The childminder explains how she keeps her knowledge up to date and refreshes her skills. For example, she completes online research to support her professional development and to extend the experiences she provides for children.
- The childminder recognises the value of working closely with parents. She intends to share information about children's progress and the next stages of learning. The childminder explains how she will make links with other settings that the children attend to help promote continuity of care and learning.

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	2623223
Local authority	Leicestershire
Inspection number	10281079
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory 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 Castle Donington, Leicestershire. She operates Monday to Friday, from 7.30am to 5.30pm, all year round, except bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds a relevant early years qualification at level 6.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Kelly Langley

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 checked the childminder's understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The childminder explained how she plans her curriculum and how she works in partnership with parents and other professionals.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- The inspector spoke to the childminder about how she reflects on her practice and develops her knowledge and skills.

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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