

Childminder report

Inspection date:

29 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 collects useful information from parents about children's interests and individual care needs as part of her induction arrangements. She offers flexible settling-in sessions for children, to give them time to get to know her and the other children who attend her setting. The childminder describes the strong friendships that develop between children in her setting.
- The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the signs that would cause her to be concerned about a child's welfare. She knows which services she is required to contact, to report any concerns. The childminder undertakes regular risk assessments of the setting to keep children safe. Her setting is homely and well maintained. The childminder shows how she will teach children about road safety when she takes and collects them from the local school.
- The childminder is keen to build on her knowledge and skills. She attends local authority network meetings to support her continued professional development. The childminder values the feedback which she receives from parents and children to help identify ways for her to ensure that she meets the different needs of families.
- The childminder knows the importance of building strong partnerships with other settings. She has good relationships with the teachers at the local school that children also attend. This provides consistency and continuity for children in meeting their different needs and supports their well-being.
- The childminder explains how she will promote children's good health. She provides space and equipment for children to be physically active in her garden. The childminder describes how children learn the importance of washing their hands, for example, before they have their snacks.
- The childminder is keen to support children's independence and social skills. She has organised the setting, so that children can independently access a range of resources and make choices. The childminder has games and activities that promote collaboration and turn taking. She demonstrates a positive approach in supporting children's good behaviour in the setting.
- The childminder has the required policies and procedures in place to ensure children's welfare. She has all suitability checks for her family in place. The childminder holds a relevant first-aid certificate and insurance that are required for her to meet statutory requirements.

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	2623266
Local authority	North Lincolnshire
Inspection number	10281080
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	5 to 10
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	17
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2021 and lives in Scunthorpe. She operates during term time from 7.30am to 8.45am and 3.15pm to 5.30pm, Monday to Friday. The childminder also provides care for children during the school holidays.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Rose Tanser

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 her evaluation of the childminder's setting.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of documentation, including evidence of suitability of household members.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she works in partnership with parents and other settings.
- The inspector checked the childminder's knowledge of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The childminder showed the inspector how she organises the premises and discussed how she ensures that they are safe and suitable for children.

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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