

Childminder report

Inspection date:

4 October 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 clear understanding of her duty to safeguard children. She knows the possible signs and symptoms of abuse and neglect and how to respond to any concerns she has about a child's welfare. Daily checks and risk assessments of her home help the childminder identify and to remove any potential hazards to children.
- The childminder provides an inclusive play environment. She explains how she organises her setting to meet the children's individual learning styles, interests and to support her curriculum. She has systems in place to observe and to monitor the children's progress and to swiftly identify any gaps in their learning.
- The childminder demonstrates clear expectations for children's behaviour. She explains how she helps children to develop positive relationships with others and how she incorporates sharing, turn taking and respect for others.
- The childminder understands the importance of encouraging children to adopt a healthy lifestyle through healthy snacks, being physically active and spending time outdoors.
- The childminder recognises the value of working closely with parents and other professionals to help promote the children's learning and development. She understands the importance of maintaining communication, which helps her to learn about children's backgrounds and individual needs. She has effective procedures in place to ensure she keeps parents fully informed about children's development.
- The childminder explains how she keeps her knowledge up to date and refreshes her skills. For example, she has sought additional safeguarding training to complete this month.

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	2633566
Local authority	Oxfordshire
Inspection number	10285838
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 8
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 Heyford Park, to the west of Bicester. She operates all year round from 7.30am to 5.30pm, Monday to Thursday, and Friday mornings, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds an appropriate childcare qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Anneliese Fox-Jones

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 setting and has taken this into account in their evaluation of the setting.
- The childminder and the inspector completed a learning walk together and viewed areas of the premises used for childminding.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she supports children's learning and development.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation and evidence of the suitability of those living on the premises.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to meet the safeguarding and welfare requirements when minding 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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