

Childminder report

Inspection date:

31 July 2024

**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 demonstrates she has secure knowledge and understanding of how to support children's learning and development. She provides a welcoming environment with a range of appropriate and organised resources.
- The childminder supports children to settle and build strong partnerships with parents. She explains how she finds out what children know and can do and uses this information for children's starting points. She then carefully tracks and monitors their progress through observations. The childminder knows how to seek advice if children need additional support.
- The childminder explains how she plans for children's interests and focuses on the prime areas. She demonstrates her knowledge of the early years foundation stage and describes how she supports children's physical skills with a range of activities in the garden, including throwing balls into basketball hoops and practising gross motor skills on local park visits.
- The childminder has good knowledge of how to support children's communication and language. She explains how she repeats vocabulary and helps children to learn single words. She immerses them in stories and songs and goes to the library to borrow books in different languages to support children who speak English as an additional language.
- The childminder talks confidently about supporting children's behaviour. She uses positive language, praise and encouragement to help them develop boundaries and positive attitudes towards learning. She helps them to keep going when things are difficult and be proud of their achievements.
- The childminder knows what she wants children to learn and explains how she supports them with life skills, particularly fostering their independence. She encourages children to do things for themselves and express themselves clearly. The childminder is an advocate for healthy eating and helps children and parents understand the importance of nutritious foods and supports them with making good choices and forming healthy habits.
- The childminder is passionate about improving outcomes for children and continually enhances her professional development with a variety of training and courses. She describes how she evaluated her provision and reflects on her practice and environment to continually improve the quality of care and education.
- The childminder shares information with parents and keeps them updated with regular communication and photos. She explains the importance of strong bonds and attachments. She ensures parents know what their children are working on and gives them advice for how to support children at home.
- The childminder has good knowledge of safeguarding and child protection procedures. She understands the procedures to follow if she has concerns about a child's well-being. The childminder describes the systems in place to risk assess her home and keep children safe.

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	2673236
Local authority	Brent
Inspection number	10350671
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	2 to 2
Total number of places	5
Number of children on roll	2
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2022. She lives in Colindale in the London Borough of Brent. She operates Monday to Friday between 8am and 6pm most of the year except for bank holidays and family holidays. She accepts funding for early education.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Sara Vincent

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 provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable
- The childminder and the inspector discussed how the childminder organises their early years provision, including the aims and rationale for their early years foundation stage curriculum.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about children's learning and development with a particular focus on communication and language.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- The childminder explained how she works in partnership with parents to support children's development and well-being.

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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