

Childminder report

Inspection date:

16 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 is aware of her responsibilities to promote the safety of children. She understands how to identify the signs and symptoms of abuse. The childminder knows where to report any concerns about a child's safety.
- The childminder is aware of undertaking safety checks in her home and garden to ensure they are free from potential hazards. She has a secure garden and plans to keep doors and gates locked to ensure children's safety. The childminder understands how to implement procedures to prevent children from being collected by unauthorised adults.
- The childminder understands the benefits of children forming positive relationships with her. Prior to the children starting, she plans to offer them settling-in visits where they can get to know her. During these visits, she intends to gather information from parents about what children already know and can do, to help her provide a tailored approach to their care and learning.
- The childminder demonstrates a sound understanding of child development and will use this, alongside her knowledge of the children in her care, to plan activities that support the learning needs of the children.
- The childminder intends to promote children's positive behaviour by praising their achievements and recognising their efforts. She will work with the children in her care to create 'golden rules'.
- Through discussions, the childminder explains how she plans to observe and assess children to monitor their progress. Should children not make expected progress, the childminder plans to seek support from other professionals.
- The childminder understands the importance of supporting children's communication and language skills. She explains how she will do this by reading stories and singing songs with the children. The childminder intends to provide opportunities for children to talk about their experiences.
- The childminder intends to support children to be independent. This will include teaching them to wipe their faces, wash their hands and put on their coats. The childminder intends to take children out into the community to learn about local attractions and the world that they live in.
- The childminder plans to provide children with access to drinking water and a variety of healthy snacks to promote a nutritious diet. She will liaise with parents to support their knowledge of a healthy packed lunch.
- The childminder will provide children with daily opportunities to access fresh air as they spend time in her garden. She understands the benefits of children being physically active and moving their bodies.
- The childminder appreciates the importance of having positive relationships with parents. She intends to share daily updates with them about what activities children access and share ideas on how parents can support children's learning and development at home.

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	2674271
Local authority	Lincolnshire
Inspection number	10337211
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 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 2022 and lives in Lincoln Lincolnshire. She operates all year round from 7.15am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds a childcare qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Emma Curry

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the childminder has 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 and the childminder had a tour of the areas of the premises used by children and viewed the toys and equipment available.
- The inspector discussed the policies and procedures with the childminder and viewed documentation that she uses when caring for children.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the curriculum for children and undertake observation, assessment and planning.
- The inspector discussed the safeguarding and welfare requirements with the childminder.

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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