

Childminder report

Inspection date:

3 July 2025

**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 explains how she aims to provide a rich and ambitious curriculum. She demonstrates a good understanding of how children learn and discusses how she builds on children's knowledge as she plays with them. She describes how she uses visits to the local area to broaden children's experiences, including trips to a toddler group to encourage children to be more confident in different social situations.
- The childminder recognises the need to have high aspirations for what children can achieve, particularly in communication and language. For example, she discusses how she introduces ambitious vocabulary with children as part of their play. She explains how she promotes a love of books through children reading a wide variety of texts, including those that foster an awareness of diversity and other cultures.
- The childminder discusses the support she provides for children with additional needs. She confidently talks about how she works alongside parents to put in place support plans to help her effectively meet children's needs, including for children with more complex medical needs. Parents report positively on the adaptations the childminder makes to her provision to ensure their children feel included.
- The childminder understands the need to support children to have positive attitudes to learning. She describes how she provides learning experiences designed to promote their curiosity linked to their interests. She discusses how she encourages children to persevere and solve problems to help make them more resilient.
- The childminder discusses how she helps children learn to keep themselves safe. She supports them to learn about road safety, including by reminding children to look for traffic and holding hands when crossing the road. The childminder discusses how she encourages children to take appropriate risks. For example, she helps them to become more confident in their ability to climb on play equipment in the park.
- The childminder understands the need to find out about the other settings children attend. She discusses how she provides links to the activities children take part in at these settings. However, she does not contact them to discuss individual children's progress to help ensure a consistent approach to supporting the next steps in their development.
- The childminder undertakes regular professional development to ensure her knowledge and skills are up to date. For instance, she has recently undertaken in-depth training in children's development and growth to further understand how children's brains develop to help them make secure attachments. The childminder reflects on the impact this has had on her practice, including through making her more aware of how children develop positive relationships with others.

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	2713097
Local authority	Devon
Inspection number	10399619
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	4 to 4
Total number of places	5
Number of children on roll	1
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2023 and lives in Cranbrook, near Exeter in Devon. She operates all year round, from 9am to 5pm, on Mondays and Tuesdays, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds a relevant childcare qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Leanne Edge

Inspection activities

- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The inspector and the childminder 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 how they support children with special educational needs and/or disabilities.
- Parents shared their views of the setting with the inspector.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.

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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