

# Childminder report

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Inspection date:

3 September 2024

**The quality and  
standards of early  
years provision**

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Not applicable

## Summary of key findings

### This provision meets requirements

- The childminder demonstrates a clear understanding of how to safeguard children. She regularly attends child protection training to keep her knowledge up to date. The childminder knows the signs and symptoms of abuse and the procedures to report concerns to the relevant authorities.
- The childminder explains how she completes daily safety checks to identify and eliminate potential hazards in her home. Before taking children on outings into the community, she will visit these places of interest to carry out risk assessments to help keep children safe when away from her setting.
- The childminder has a secure understanding of the learning and development requirements of the early years foundation stage. She explains how she will adapt her teaching methods to each child's learning style to make the learning process engaging and enjoyable.
- The childminder discusses the systems in place to observe, assess and monitor children's progress. This will allow her to identify and promptly address any emerging gaps in their learning and development.
- The childminder recognises the importance of working closely in partnership with parents and other professionals to promote continuity in children's care and education. She explains that she will seek parents' consent to share assessment information with staff at other early years settings that the children attend.
- The childminder has high expectations for children's behaviour. She explains how she will introduce children to house rules and promote positive relationships and respect for one another. The childminder will use age-appropriate consequences to help children understand the importance of following rules for their personal safety.
- The childminder understands the importance of encouraging children to adopt a healthy and active lifestyle. She aims to take children out into the community on a daily basis to visit places of interest, such as local parks, soft-play centres and wildlife parks. This will develop children's understanding of the world around them, as well as supporting their physical development and social skills.
- The childminder explains how she updates her knowledge and skills by networking with other childminders and conducting online research to ensure that her practice remains current.

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

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|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Unique reference number</b>                     | 2757673              |
| <b>Local authority</b>                             | Gloucestershire      |
| <b>Inspection number</b>                           | 10349513             |
| <b>Type of provision</b>                           | Childminder          |
| <b>Registers</b>                                   | Early Years Register |
| <b>Day care type</b>                               | Childminder          |
| <b>Age range of children at time of inspection</b> | 0 to 0               |
| <b>Total number of places</b>                      | 6                    |
| <b>Number of children on roll</b>                  | 0                    |
| <b>Date of previous inspection</b>                 | Not applicable       |

## Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2023 and is located in the Ebley area of Stroud, Gloucestershire. She offers care all year round between the hours of 8.30am and 5.30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday with the exception of bank holidays and family holidays.

## Information about this inspection

**Inspector**  
Holly Smith

## 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.
- The inspector viewed the provision and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about how she supports children's learning and development.
- The inspector spoke to the childminder about how she promotes children's behaviour.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- 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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