

# Childminder report

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Inspection date:

4 September 2024

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

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Good

## Summary of key findings

### This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a detailed knowledge of safeguarding. She knows the signs that may indicate a child is at risk of harm and what to do if she has concerns. The childminder ensures her knowledge of safeguarding is up to date. She has an excellent understanding of how to work with other agencies to ensure children are kept safe.
- The childminder understands how young children learn. She knows how to monitor their individual learning needs and plan a range of activities to help them to make good progress.
- The childminder explains how she would encourage children to develop independence through high-quality play and effective daily routines. She is committed to ensuring that children's behaviour is good and that they are considerate of one another's feelings.
- The childminder is friendly and welcoming. She has a thorough understanding of how to provide an inclusive setting, where children's unique achievements are celebrated.
- The childminder understands the value of working in partnership with parents and other professionals involved in children's lives. She knows how to use these partnerships to help meet children's individual needs and support continuity in their learning.
- The childminder reflects on the quality of her practice to identify areas for further development. She is committed to continually improving her service and attends regular training to support her professional development.

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>                     | 315683                                                                            |
| <b>Local authority</b>                             | Bolton                                                                            |
| <b>Inspection number</b>                           | 10350938                                                                          |
| <b>Type of provision</b>                           | Childminder                                                                       |
| <b>Registers</b>                                   | Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare 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>                 | 18 September 2018                                                                 |

## Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 1999 and lives in Harwood, Bolton. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 3. The setting operates from 7.30am to 5.30pm, Monday to Friday, during term time.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

Emma Barrow

### 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 inspector discussed the policies and procedures with the childminder and documentation that she will use when caring for children.
- The inspector had a tour of the areas of the premises used by children and discussed the equipment and toys available.
- The inspector discussed the safeguarding and welfare requirements with the childminder and took account of evidence of suitability checks.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the educational programmes for children and undertake observation, assessment and planning.

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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