

Childminder report

Inspection date:

17 December 2024

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

**This
inspection**

Not met (with actions)

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision does not meet requirements

- The childminder's risk assessments are ineffective. The areas used for childminding are not safe.
- The childminder has not ensured that she has a first-aid box with appropriate items available for use in case of an accident or emergency.
- The childminder does not have a secure understanding of how to implement an effective curriculum to help children acquire new skills and knowledge. She has not thought about how to plan a challenging curriculum across all areas of learning and development.
- The childminder understands the importance of having high expectations for children's behaviour. She explains that she helps children to develop cooperative skills by working together and sharing. She understands that providing children with praise helps to reinforce their good behaviour.
- Although the childminder ensures that she completes mandatory training, such as first aid and safeguarding, she does not ensure that she has access to professional development to support her in providing a good quality of education.
- The childminder understands the importance of promoting healthy lifestyles. She offers healthy and nutritionally balanced snacks and drinks, such as fruit, yogurt and water. Furthermore, the childminder provides trips to local outdoor areas for children to take exercise.
- Parents appreciate the feedback they receive from the childminder about their child's involvement in activities. However, the childminder does not regularly provide information relating to each child's progress in their learning and 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.

What does the setting need to do to improve?

To meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage and Childcare Register the provider must:

	Due date
ensure that all risks to children are identified, assessed and minimised	01/01/2025

ensure that a first aid box with appropriate contents is available for use with children	01/01/2025
implement an enjoyable and challenging curriculum to support children's development in all areas of learning	29/01/2025
ensure that continuing professional development supports them to understand their responsibility to provide good quality education.	29/01/2025

Setting details

Unique reference number	322527
Local authority	Wigan
Inspection number	10378058
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	1 to 10
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	9
Date of previous inspection	12 September 2019

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2000 and lives in Hindley, Wigan. She operates all year round, from 7.30am to 6pm on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 3. She offers government funded early education places.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Lois Hulley

Inspection activities

- We carried out this inspection as a result of a risk assessment, following information we received about 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 provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- Parents shared their views of the setting with the inspector.

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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