

Childminder report

Inspection date:

12 April 2023

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Met

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder's home is very clean and tidy. She completes ongoing visual checks on all areas of the premises, both indoors and outdoors, to ensure the environment is safe and free from hazards.
- The childminder has clear intentions for how she will support children's learning. She explains that she will use information gathered from parents, alongside her own observations of children's play, to identify children's interests and learning needs. The childminder describes how she will use this information to plan activities around all areas of learning to promote children's progress.
- The childminder explains that during the settling-in period, she will gather information from parents about children's routines at home, to promote consistency during their time with her. She discusses how she will use verbal conversations, alongside communication diaries, to make sure parents are kept fully informed about children's progress and experiences at the setting.
- The childminder explains how she will create effective links with other settings children attend. She states that she will contact them to share information about children's next steps and developmental assessments. This promotes a collaborative approach to children's learning and development between settings.
- The childminder describes how she will support children to lead a healthy lifestyle. She will ensure children have daily access to fresh air and exercise in her spacious garden. The childminder intends to take children on outings into the community and visit local parks to further promote children's physical skills.
- The childminder aims to support children's positive behaviour through the use of consistent boundaries. She explains how she will ensure children are aware of her house rules and the importance of manners. The childminder discusses how she will redirect children in the instance of poor behaviour. She will provide clear explanations to support children's understanding of her expectations.
- The childminder explains how she will evaluate the service she offers. She describes how she will seek the views of parents through written testimonials. The childminder will also seek children's feedback by asking them age-appropriate questions about what they like and dislike about the setting.
- The childminder has a good understanding of safeguarding practice. She attends regular child protection training and can identify the signs and symptoms that may indicate a child is at risk of harm. The childminder knows the procedure to follow should she need to escalate a concern.

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	506695
Local authority	Gloucestershire
Inspection number	10264436
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	9 to 9
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	1
Date of previous inspection	15 June 2017

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2001 and lives in Down Hatherley, Gloucestershire. She holds a relevant childcare qualification at level 3. The childminder offers care for children from Monday to Thursday between the hours of 8am and 6pm.

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 the evaluation of the setting.
- The inspector viewed the areas of the premises that will be used for the care of children.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to support children's learning and development.
- The inspector discussed the safeguarding and welfare requirements with the childminder.
- The inspector sampled relevant documentation, including evidence of suitability and the childminder's paediatric first-aid qualification certificate.
- The inspector and childminder discussed the procedures in place to monitor and evaluate the setting.

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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