

# Childminder report

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Inspection date:

8 September 2023

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

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Not Met (with actions)

## Summary of key findings

### This provision meets requirements

- Since the last inspection, the childminder has gained an appropriate first-aid qualification and refreshed her safeguarding knowledge. She has a clear understanding of how to keep children safe while in her care. The childminder understands how to refer any concerns about children's welfare to the relevant authorities. She knows the correct procedure to follow should an allegation be made against herself or a household member. The childminder describes how she will carry out risk assessments in her home to identify and remove any potential hazards to children.
- The childminder has a secure knowledge and understanding of the learning and development requirements. She understands how to develop a curriculum to meet each child's learning needs. The childminder knows how to observe, assess and plan to support children's ongoing progress.
- The childminder has a good understanding of how to support children with special educational needs and/or disabilities. She explains the importance of working closely with parents and other agencies to find the best possible ways to meet children's needs.
- Children have daily access to the spacious garden and go on walks in the local community. These opportunities enable children to be active and develop their large-muscle skills. The childminder feels that being outdoors promotes positive well-being in children.
- The childminder understands the importance of working in partnership with parents to help support continuity in children's learning and care.
- The childminder understands the importance of continuous professional development. She receives training through her role at a local school. This helps her to constantly develop her knowledge and teaching skills.

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>                     | 953309                                                                            |
| <b>Local authority</b>                             | Hertfordshire                                                                     |
| <b>Inspection number</b>                           | 10279288                                                                          |
| <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> | 8 to 8                                                                            |
| <b>Total number of places</b>                      | 6                                                                                 |
| <b>Number of children on roll</b>                  | 1                                                                                 |
| <b>Date of previous inspection</b>                 | 14 October 2022                                                                   |

## Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 1999 and lives in Abbots Langley. She operates during term time from 3pm to 5.45pm, Monday to Wednesday. The childminder holds an early years qualification at level 6.

## Information about this inspection

**Inspector**  
Jill Hardaker

### Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed any continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic with the childminder and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the setting.
- The inspector and the childminder looked at areas of the house and garden that are used when caring for children. They talked about how the childminder organises her environment and the learning opportunities she provides for children.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder to consider her understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation, including the childminder's safeguarding procedures, complaints policy and evidence of her suitability.

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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