

Childminder report

Inspection date:

4 April 2022

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Met

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a secure understanding of how to safeguard children in her care. She is confident about the action she would take if she had a concern about a child's well-being. The childminder has a clear procedure to follow to contact the relevant authorities, in the event of a concern or an allegation. She uses training to keep her knowledge of current safeguarding issues up to date.
- The childminder understands the learning and development requirements of the early years foundation stage. She demonstrates, through discussion, how she intends to plan activities that motivate and will support children's individual learning needs and interests.
- The childminder has a good understanding of how to positively support children's behaviour. She describes how she uses appropriate methods, such as distraction, when needed. She talks about how she encourages children to share and take turns with each other. She places a value on supporting children with their emotions, so that they have a better understanding of themselves and others.
- The childminder makes sure that the premises, resources and equipment that are intended to be used for childminding are suitable for their purpose. Her home is safe and secure for children. She carries out regular risk assessments to identify and minimise risks, indoors, outdoors and for outings, to promote children's safety.
- The childminder demonstrates how to support children to adopt a healthy lifestyle. She explains how she plans to speak with parents and children about the benefits of nutritious food. The childminder explains her hygiene procedures and how she has adapted these during the COVID-19 pandemic, for example using individual paper towels to dry hands.
- The childminder shares how she will encourage children to access the garden and be physically active. She explains how she will take them on daily walks in the local area for plenty of fresh air.
- The childminder recognises the importance of building effective partnerships. She explains how she would work effectively with parents and other professionals, such as school teaching staff, to ensure that children progress well. The childminder knows where to seek advice and support if there are persistent gaps in children's learning. The childminder is aware of her responsibility to complete a written summary of children's progress when they are aged between two and three years old and share these with parents.
- The childminder reflects on her childminding provision. She ensures that all essential training is in place, such as paediatric first aid and safeguarding. The childminder has also accessed a number of additional courses to make sure that she is fully up to date with the latest information on the best childcare practice.

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	EY235713
Local authority	Harrow
Inspection number	10120441
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	0 to 0
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	21 January 2016

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2003. She lives in the London Borough of Harrow. She operates Monday to Friday, all year round, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Laxmi Patel

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the provider 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 and childminder viewed the areas of the premises where childcare is to be provided to make sure they are safe.
- The childminder talked to the inspector about how she intends to deliver the educational programme for children.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to assess children's progress and to plan for the next steps in their learning.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.

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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