

# Childminder report

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Inspection date:

16 December 2022

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

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Met

## Summary of key findings

### This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a secure understanding of her responsibilities to protect children from harm. She is aware of the potential signs that may indicate a child is at risk of abuse, including exposure to extremist views and behaviours. The childminder is familiar with the procedures to follow in the event of a concern. She keeps up to date with her safeguarding knowledge by attending child protection training regularly.
- The childminder is aware of how young children learn and develop. She demonstrates how she plans to provide young children with interesting and challenging activities, based on their interests and abilities. The childminder recognises the importance of children getting exercise in the fresh air to improve their stamina and strength. She plans to visit a range of places of interest to support children's social skills.
- The childminder is committed to further enhancing her knowledge and skills to give children the best start in life. She has recently completed a training course on child psychology. This has influenced her practice on how to promote children's positive behaviour and self-esteem. The childminder recognises the significance of helping children to recognise and manage their feelings. She comments that this will help them behave well and increase their commitment to learn.
- The childminder highlights the value of working with external professionals to seek help and advice for children who have been identified as needing additional support. In addition, she knows that strong communication with other settings that children may also attend, provides consistency in their learning and development.
- The childminder recognises the importance of raising children's awareness of other cultures represented in modern Britain. She plans to address this by introducing them to a variety of foods from different countries and learning about cultural festivals and celebrations. In this way, the childminder wants children to celebrate the similarities and differences between their own culture and those of others.
- The childminder is keen to help children adopt a healthy lifestyle. This will be encouraged by children tasting a wide variety of vegetables. She plans to give them first-hand opportunities to grow their own vegetables to then use as part of their well-balanced meals. The childminder describes how children will be involved in designing a healthy menu, and then prepare these meals while in her care.
- The childminder demonstrates the importance of understanding children's individual needs. She recognises the significance of working closely with parents. The childminder describes how this will help to provide consistent care and learning for children. She plans to hold meaningful conversations with them about their child's progress. The childminder explains how she will offer parents ideas of how they can further support learning at home.

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>                     | EY252796                                                                          |
| <b>Local authority</b>                             | Buckinghamshire                                                                   |
| <b>Inspection number</b>                           | 10234698                                                                          |
| <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> | 3 to 10                                                                           |
| <b>Total number of places</b>                      | 3                                                                                 |
| <b>Number of children on roll</b>                  | 12                                                                                |
| <b>Date of previous inspection</b>                 | 1 November 2016                                                                   |

## Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2003. She lives in Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire. The childminder operates Monday to Thursday from 7.30am to 6pm, all year round. She holds an early years qualification at level 3.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

Sonia Panchal

### 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 childminder discussed how she ensures the equipment and her premises are safe and suitable for children.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about her intentions for children's learning.
- The inspector read written feedback from parents and children.
- The childminder provided relevant documentation on request, such as evidence of her suitability to work with children.
- Although there were no children in the early age range present at the time of this inspection, the childminder currently cares for school children from three years old, before and after school.

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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