

# Childminder report

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Inspection date:

1 September 2022

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

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Good

## Summary of key findings

### This provision meets requirements

- The childminder's home is secure, clean and organised. She carries out daily safety checks of her home and garden to ensure children play in a safe and secure environment.
- The childminder has a current first-aid certificate and recently updated her child protection training. The childminder has a good knowledge of the signs and symptoms of potential abuse and clearly explains what she would do if she had any concerns about a child's welfare. The childminder displays an awareness of wider safeguarding issues, including radicalisation and child exploitation. She completes all mandatory training in a timely manner.
- The childminder has a good understanding of the learning and development requirements and how to implement these in practice. She describes her curriculum as child led and recognises the value of working closely with parents and other professionals to share information to support children's learning.
- The childminder tailors settling-in sessions to meet children's individual needs. She seeks a wide range of information from children's parents during induction. The childminder uses this to inform her initial assessments and to plan for children's next steps in learning. She builds secure bonds with children to promote their emotional well-being.
- The childminder has high expectations for children's behaviour. She knows how to be a good role model, and she encourages children to develop respect for each other. The childminder understands the benefits of teaching children positive attitudes to support their future learning.
- The childminder understands the importance of keeping her knowledge and skills up to date. She meets regularly with other childminders to share ideas and discuss good practice. The childminder recognises the importance of continuously evaluating her practice to make ongoing improvements and keep updated with changes to legislation.
- The childminder supports children to learn about healthy lifestyles. She encourages children to be independent and develop their self-care skills. The childminder understands the importance of supporting children to be physically active and provides them with daily access to fresh air and exercise.

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>                     | EY256263                                                                          |
| <b>Local authority</b>                             | Worcestershire                                                                    |
| <b>Inspection number</b>                           | 10073185                                                                          |
| <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> | 1 to 3                                                                            |
| <b>Total number of places</b>                      | 6                                                                                 |
| <b>Number of children on roll</b>                  | 3                                                                                 |
| <b>Date of previous inspection</b>                 | 18 May 2016                                                                       |

## Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2003 and lives in Worcester. She operates all year round, from 8am to 5pm, Monday to Thursday, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

Tina Smith

### 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 childminder and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The inspector viewed areas of the premises used for childminding.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder her intentions for children's learning and the curriculum she offers.
- The inspector looked at required documentation, including evidence of the suitability of those living in the household.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she meets the safeguarding and welfare requirements when caring for children.

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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