

Childminder report

Inspection date:

13 June 2024

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder demonstrates how she will provide an interesting and ambitious curriculum for children. She explains how she would work closely with parents to identify children's starting points in their learning, including their likes and dislikes. The childminder understands how to plan activities and experiences to help children enjoy learning and build on their skills and knowledge. She explains that she would monitor children's progress to swiftly identify any gaps in their development.
- The childminder understands her role in preparing children for the next steps in their learning. She explains the importance of building children's confidence, independence and self-care skills to ensure that they are ready for their next stage of learning. The childminder intends to take children into the local area to provide them with wider social opportunities. She explained that she wants to take children to places such as the woods and an aquarium.
- The childminder explains how she will promote healthy lifestyles. She intends to offer children fresh fruit and vegetables as snacks and will discuss the importance of parents providing a healthy lunch box for their children. The childminder says she will use the local area and her garden as much as possible to give children access to outside spaces for exercise and fresh air. She describes these outings as opportunities to teach children about the world around them and their personal safety. The childminder intends to explain road safety and the possible danger of strangers to children.
- The childminder demonstrates how she will support children's communication and language development. For example, she successfully describes how she will ask targeted questions when providing favourite stories to children. The childminder would then share information about children's development with parents, so they remain up to date with their child's progress.
- The childminder seeks the support of other professionals, such as early years advisers, to keep her knowledge up to date. The childminder recognises the value of working closely with parents and other settings children attend. She understands that this will help promote continuity of care and learning for children. She knows her local community well and describes how she will offer support and guidance to parents, including signposting them to other professionals and agencies where appropriate.
- The childminder has a good understanding of how to support children's behaviour. She explains that she expects children to share, take turns and be kind. For example, she states that she would promote behavioural rules in the setting, such as being polite and respectful to one another. The childminder explains that she attended training on promoting children's positive behaviour.
- The childminder has taken appropriate steps to ensure the premises are secure. For example, the side gate is kept padlocked and the front door is kept locked to prevent children leaving unsupervised.
- The childminder describes how she reviews her practice frequently to ensure that she will offer the best outcomes for the children in her care.

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	EY276488
Local authority	West Sussex
Inspection number	10346980
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	28 August 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2004 and lives in Chichester, West Sussex. She operates Monday to Friday, from 7am to 7pm, all year round and she occasionally works with assistants. The childminder has an appropriate qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Clare Leake

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 their evaluation of the setting.
- The childminder showed the inspector around the premises and discussed how she ensures that they are safe and secure.
- The childminder discussed with the inspector how she organises her early years setting, including how she would implement the curriculum.
- The childminder discussed her expectations of children's behaviour and how she would put this into practice.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation, including the childminder's paediatric first-aid certificate.

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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