

Childminder report

Inspection date:

9 January 2025

**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 a secure understanding of the learning and development requirements of the early years foundation stage. She understands how she can support children of all ages to make progress in their learning. For example, the childminder speaks about the importance of promoting a language-rich environment and supporting children with their communication skills and understanding.
- The childminder has high expectations for children's behaviour. She discusses how she will encourage children's positive behaviour. For instance, through setting clear boundaries and expectations for children and offering them consistent reminders. The childminder recognises the importance of using praise and encouragement to support children's confidence and self-esteem.
- The childminder recognises the importance of working in partnership with parents and other professionals. She explains how she will share information and next steps with parents. For example, through daily conversations and an online app. The childminder explains how she plans to liaise with other professionals, at other provisions children attend, for continuity of care and learning.
- The childminder understands the importance of keeping her skills and knowledge up to date. She describes how she attends regular webinars and works in partnership with her local authority and other local childminders. The childminder completes all mandatory training, such as paediatric first aid and safeguarding. She also completes additional training to develop her skills to an even higher level. For instance, she explains how training in effective storytelling has improved children's engagement and love of reading.
- The childminder describes how she intends to support children to develop healthy lifestyles. She plans to provide daily opportunities for children to access her garden or local park for fresh air and exercise. The childminder describes how she will provide children with nutritious food and healthy drinks. Children will learn about regular handwashing and good oral health. This supports children to be aware of how to live healthy lifestyles from a young age.
- The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the importance of promoting children's independence, in preparation for going to school. She plans to encourage children to manage tasks for themselves, such as using the toilet and feeding themselves independently. Child-led play will be prioritised, and children will be given a choice in the activities and experiences on offer.
- The childminder explains how she will identify and support children with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). She will use ongoing assessments to swiftly identify when children may require additional support. The childminder describes how she will work in partnership with parents and other professionals to ensure that children with SEND achieve the best possible outcomes.

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	EY276691
Local authority	Leeds
Inspection number	10367529
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	12 February 2019

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2003 and lives in Cookridge, Leeds. She operates all year round from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds an appropriate childcare qualification at level 3. The childminder offers the government funded places for childcare and receives specific funding for disadvantaged children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Jennifer Cowton

Inspection activities

- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how she ensures they are safe and suitable.
- The childminder and the inspector discussed how the childminder organises their early years provision, including the aims and rationale for their early years foundation stage curriculum
- The inspector spoke with the childminder about the leadership and management of the setting.
- The inspector held a discussion with the childminder regarding safeguarding.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documents 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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