

Childminder report

Inspection date:

30 September 2024

**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 successfully met the action raised at the last inspection. She provided Ofsted with information about changes of household members so that Ofsted can review the suitability of all adults living or working in the home. Consequently, this helps to safeguard children's welfare.
- The childminder has recently moved home. She confidently discusses how she assesses and minimises any risks to children so that her new home is safe and suitable.
- The childminder emphasises the importance of supporting children's communication and language skills. She explains how she sings songs with children and encourages them to join in with actions. She explains that she also sings songs that help children learn good daily routines, like tidy-up time. The childminder describes how she enthusiastically engages children in meaningful conversations to promote their speaking and listening skills.
- Through discussion, the childminder demonstrates a clear understanding of the curriculum she offers. She describes how she gains information from parents about children's individual care and learning needs when they begin. She uses this information to plan a sequenced range of activities and outings that extend children's learning and interests.
- The childminder recognises her role in teaching children's personal independence, such as putting on their own coats and shoes. She describes how she works closely with parents to complete children's toilet training and encourages good handwashing routines so that children learn good hygiene practices. The childminder is mindful that these skills help prepare children for when they move on to school.
- The childminder explains how she makes regular assessments of children's progress that she shares with parents. She understands her responsibility to complete the progress check when children are aged two.
- The childminder describes the range of strategies she has in place to support children in managing their behaviour. For example, she talks to children about their feelings and helps them to learn about expectations of their behaviour. She describes how she will promote good routines that encourage children to be helpful and make choices during play and mealtimes.
- The childminder demonstrates a clear understanding of safeguarding. She has recently attended a training course and describes how this helps her to keep up to date with safeguarding matters. She confidently discusses the procedures to follow if she has concerns about children's welfare or if any allegations are made.
- The childminder explains the importance of helping children to learn about healthy lifestyles. For example, she describes how she encourages children to try new foods, especially different fruits. She also plans lots of opportunities for children to be active and develop their physical skills during indoor and outside play.

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	EY279109
Local authority	Lewisham
Inspection number	10351780
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	16 October 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2004 and lives in the New Cross area of the London Borough of Lewisham. She operates from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, for most of the year. The childminder holds a suitable qualification in childcare at level 2.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Jo Geoghegan

Inspection activities

- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure 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 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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