

Childminder report

Inspection date:

13 July 2023

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a robust knowledge of the signs and symptoms of abuse and recognises her role and responsibility in keeping children safe. This includes those that may be at risk from radical views. The childminder has a clear safeguarding policy and procedure in place and knows who to contact should she have concerns about a child. The childminder understands how to work with parents to ensure children are not vulnerable when using technology. She outlines how to monitor and supervise children to ensure they are safe at all times.
- The childminder ensures the environment that children will have access to is risk assessed. The childminder explains the importance of helping children to learn how to be safe, including how she will help them learn about road safety. In addition, the childminder has appropriate fire safety equipment in place and designated fire exits. She understands the need to practise fire drills with children to ensure they know what to do in the event of a real emergency.
- The childminder values continuing professional development. For example, she has recently undertaken mandatory training in paediatric first aid. In addition, she understands the importance of gaining feedback from parents and children to enhance her practice further.
- The childminder demonstrates she understands the importance of healthy lifestyles for children. She explains how she will ensure children get daily fresh air and exercise. The childminder knows how to provide a healthy, balanced diet that meets children's individual dietary needs. She understands the importance of providing an environment that is clean and hygienic to help ensure the well-being of children.
- The childminder has a sound knowledge regarding the areas of learning and can describe clearly how she will promote the development of children. She understands how to plan appropriate activities to meet children's individual learning and development needs. The childminder explains how she intends to monitor children through observation. She understands how to build on their existing skills and knowledge.
- The childminder knows how to support children's behaviour appropriately. She understands that some children may have difficulty managing their emotions. She explains how she will help children understand how they feel, and help them recognise the impact of their behaviour on others.

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	EY294869
Local authority	Nottinghamshire County Council
Inspection number	10300106
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	5 to 6
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	2
Date of previous inspection	24 January 2019

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2004 and lives in Mansfield, Nottinghamshire. She operates all year round, from 7am until 6pm from Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds a level 3 childcare qualification. She works closely with her husband, who is also a registered childminder. She provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Susan Hyatt

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 childminder.
- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about their intentions for children's learning.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- The inspector checked the childminder's understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The childminder explained to the inspector how she plans her curriculum and how she works in partnership with parents.

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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