

Childminder report

Inspection date:

27 June 2025

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Outstanding

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder is an experienced child carer and has created an inspiring, child-orientated learning environment. She equips each play area indoors and outdoors with an extensive variety of resources for children to choose from independently.
- The childminder understands the importance of identifying where each child is in their learning and what they need to learn next. She outlines working with parents and other settings children attend to learn as much as she can about children's needs and abilities. The childminder knows to use information gathered to tailor her planned curriculum to promote children's all-round learning and development. She intends to share information about children's progress regularly with parents and has an online system that she plans to use to support this.
- The childminder has plenty of ideas of how to promote the learning of children of different ages and stages of development. For example, she aims to provide opportunities for babies to develop their sensory awareness. She plans to encourage all children to develop a love of books and to develop their literacy skills, incorporating rhyming games and opportunities for children to develop their early writing skills. The childminder describes how she intends to foster children's communication and language skills by, for example, modelling and initiating conversations, and introducing new words to extend children's vocabularies.
- The childminder has clear behavioural expectations and understands the importance of teaching children to respect others and to learn good manners. She knows to use lots of praise and encouragement to foster children's self-esteem.
- The childminder plans to offer plenty of daily opportunities for children to enjoy fresh air and exercise. She intends to provide a healthy, varied food menu and to promote good hygiene practice.
- The childminder demonstrates an in-depth awareness of her responsibility to safeguard children's welfare. She keeps her knowledge of child protection matters up to date through training and has given careful consideration to how she will maintain a safe and secure environment.

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	EY350710
Local authority	South Gloucestershire
Inspection number	10399003
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	18
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	15 November 2019

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2007 and also trades as Oak Tree Nursery in Charfield, Gloucestershire. The childminder offers care on a Friday 7.30am to 6pm, all year round. The childminder works with assistants. The childminder holds a relevant qualification at level 6 and the majority of her assistants hold a relevant level 3 childcare qualification. The childminder provides government funded childcare places.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Linda Witts

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 told the inspector about how she has worked in partnership with parents and other settings sharing children's care in the past.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation.

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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