

Childminder report

Inspection date: 24 July 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 a thorough understanding of child development. She discusses planning a range of activities to support children's learning and planning a curriculum that ignites their interests. The childminder explains how she monitors children's development and closely monitors their progress. She understands the importance of carrying out required progress checks and sharing findings with parents.
- The childminder explains how she reinforces positive behaviour and rewards good effort with stickers and praise. She describes how she allows older children to resolve conflict for themselves, while clear boundaries for younger children enable them to understand expectations for positive behaviours.
- The childminder demonstrates a secure understanding of safeguarding. She knows how to keep children safe in her care and the procedures to follow should she have any concerns about a child's welfare. The childminder discusses how she will support children in managing their own safety, including positive road awareness and stranger danger.
- The childminder discusses the benefits of taking children outdoors daily. They visit the local park, mills and farms among other places of interest. Children receive opportunities to explore, investigate and be curious. For example, a visit to a local mill allows children to explore antiques and enjoy an afternoon tea with the childminder. Consequently, they develop a good sense of belonging and a passion for learning new things.
- The childminder understands the importance of positive partnerships with parents and other professionals. She knows that regular communication supports children's learning and provides continuity for care and early education.
- The childminder demonstrates how she creates an inclusive environment for all children. She discusses how she provides children with opportunities to explore other cultures and faiths to expand their personal knowledge of other backgrounds and cultures. This means children are supported to embrace cultural awareness and show respect to their peers.
- The childminder has kept up to date with mandatory training, such as paediatric first aid and safeguarding. She shares this knowledge with children through carefully planned activities. For example, older children learn basic CPR skills, while younger children play with bandages and doctor's kits. This helps children to consider consequences and the importance of helping 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	EY364642
Local authority	Manchester
Inspection number	10351000
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 9
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	2
Date of previous inspection	26 September 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2008 and lives in Blackley, Manchester. She operates on weekdays from 3pm to 6pm during term time and 9am to 6pm during school holidays by prior arrangement. The childminder operates all year round with the exception of bank holidays and family holidays.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Shelley O'Brien

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 this into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- The inspector viewed the premises and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises with the childminder.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about her intentions for children's learning.
- The childminder discussed her responsibilities in relation to the safeguarding and welfare requirements with the inspector.

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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