

Childminder report

Inspection date:

24 September 2022

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Outstanding

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has an excellent understanding of how young children learn and develop. She explains how she will plan exciting and engaging activities based on children's needs and interests. The childminder knows the importance of assessing children's development in a timely manner. She describes how she will share children's ongoing progress with parents, to support continuity of children's learning at home.
- The childminder knows how to support children's behaviour. She describes how she will promote children's understanding of her expectations by setting clear boundaries. The childminder will help children to understand their emotions and talk about why they may feel certain ways. She explains the importance of children considering how their actions affect others.
- The childminder has a sound understanding of how to develop children's language and communication skills. She plans for children to sing, listen to stories and learn new words. The childminder explains how she will use regular trips to enhance their vocabulary further. For example, she will take children to the farm and teach them the names of machines they can see in the field, such as a combine harvester.
- The childminder knows the importance of effective partnerships with other professionals involved with children in her care. She has high expectations for all children and wants them to achieve as much as possible.
- Children's physical health is a priority for the childminder. She explains how she will teach them the importance of healthy lifestyles. The childminder will encourage children to eat balanced meals, and engage in vigorous and challenging physical activities. She explains that all children will follow her hygiene routines by regularly washing their hands.
- The childminder will help children to manage their self-care needs on their own. For instance, she will encourage them to put their shoes and coats on before going outdoors. The childminder explains that children will help with small tasks, such as making sandwiches for lunchtime. Children will gain a sense of responsibility and learn to help others, including animals. For example, they will assist the childminder with feeding her cats and guinea pigs.
- The childminder fully understands her responsibilities to safeguard children. She knows the signs that mean they may be at risk of harm. The childminder knows the local procedures to follow, and how to seek advice or report a concern about a child's welfare. She is fully aware of what to do if an allegation is made against her or a household member.
- The childminder evaluates her practice effectively and strives for continuous development. She attends training provided by local authority, as well as online webinars, to ensure that she keeps her knowledge up to date. The childminder plans to learn British sign language in due course.
- Parents' written feedback highlights 'the amazing partnership' with the childminder. They praise her caring and loving attitude. Parents comment how their children have made great progress during their time with the childminder.

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	EY384255
Local authority	Harrow
Inspection number	10128476
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	9 June 2015

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2009 and lives in the London Borough of Harrow. She cares for children all year round, from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Agnes Wink

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the provider received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about her intentions for children's learning.
- With the inspector, the childminder shared her understanding of her responsibilities to safeguard children.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation, including the childminder's suitability to work with children.

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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