

Childminder report

Inspection date:

6 June 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 ensures she keeps up to date with mandatory training. She has recently completed safeguarding and paediatric first-aid training. She receives regular updates from her local authority on changes to legislation and accesses online training to up-skill her knowledge, where required. The childminder is in contact with other local childminders, which enables her to share practice and ideas.
- The childminder demonstrates how she would offer all children an inclusive curriculum. She understands the importance of checking children's progress to identify any possible gaps in learning and how she would implement strategies to close the gaps and help children reach their next stage in learning. The childminder has an extensive knowledge of special educational needs and/or disabilities and is aware of how to make timely referrals to seek support for children and families if needed.
- The childminder values the importance of supporting children's emotional well-being. She identifies since the COVID-19 pandemic that this has been more of a focus. The childminder speaks of how she would support children's emotions by giving them time to talk, providing them with a safe and secure environment and working with children to help them become confident, independent, and resilient.
- The childminder demonstrates the importance of good partnerships with parents. She would give parents advice to help support their children and listen to any concerns they may have. She would provide them with regular updates on their children's care and development and share ideas for home learning.
- The childminder is aware of her duty to help keep children safe. She knows the signs and symptoms that may suggest children are at risk and how to refer to external agencies should she need to. The childminder teaches older children how to keep themselves safe online and in their local community. She is very aware of safeguarding issues in the local area that may pose a risk to children.
- The childminder speaks of the importance of teaching children about healthy lifestyles. She talks of the home-cooked meals and healthy snacks she would provide for the children. She would discuss with children about the foods they eat. In addition to this, the childminder would ensure children have opportunities for daily fresh air and exercise.

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	EY393529
Local authority	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Inspection number	10349796
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	4 to 11
Total number of places	8
Number of children on roll	16
Date of previous inspection	13 September 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2009 and lives in Weston, Bath. She operates all year round from 7.30am to 7pm, Tuesday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds qualified teacher status. She provides before- and after-school care, and holiday care for school-age children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Sarah-Louise Clements

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 provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- Although the childminder does not have an children in the early age range on roll, she cares for children of school age before and after school and in the school holidays.
- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- Parents and children shared their views of the setting with the inspector.
- 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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