

Childminder report

Inspection date:

3 May 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 carries out thorough risk assessments to identify any hazards and take steps to minimise risks. This will help to ensure that his home is safe, secure and suitable for children. The childminder intends to support children to manage their own risks and to identify hazards. For example, when walking with children to school, he will help them to learn about road safety.
- The childminder keeps up to date with mandatory training, such as paediatric first aid. He holds appropriate public liability insurance and will ensure that all accidents and incidents are recorded thoroughly.
- The childminder is aware of how to support the safety and welfare of children. He understands the safeguarding issues that may affect children. The childminder demonstrates an understanding of the signs that may indicate that a child is at risk of abuse or harm. He knows to report any concerns about children to the appropriate authorities. The childminder is confident in the procedure to follow if an allegation is made against himself or his co-childminder.
- The childminder has a clear approach to managing behaviour. He will use strategies to support children to take turns, share with one another and teach the importance of kindness. He understands that positive reinforcement helps children to regulate their behaviour. The childminder understands how this links to promoting values in this country.
- The childminder ensures that his environment is inclusive. Through discussion, he demonstrates how he will provide children with familiar routines and clear expectations to help them feel safe and secure. The childminder will provide opportunities for children to discuss how they are feeling and use strategies to help them manage their emotions.
- The childminder intends to support children's independence and personal development. For example, he knows the importance of encouraging children to complete tasks for themselves. He will allow children to self-serve food at mealtimes and help tidy up at the end of a session.
- The childminder understands the importance of encouraging children to adopt a healthy lifestyle through healthy eating and being physically active by spending time outdoors.
- Partnership with parents is important to the childminder. He explains how he will develop good working relationships to ensure the needs of children are met. He will gather relevant information about children when they first start, finding out about their likes and dislikes. He will use this information to help children to settle quickly. The childminder will provide daily handovers to parents about their children's day. He will ensure that he shares important information from the host school with parents to ensure continuity in children's care.
- The childminder is reflective and takes part in daily discussions with his co-childminder to evaluate practice. He plans to gather the views and opinions of parents and children to identify areas of improvement.

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	EY394656
Local authority	North Northamptonshire
Inspection number	10280174
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	1
Date of previous inspection	6 September 2017

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2009. He lives in a suburb of Wellingborough, Northamptonshire. He holds an appropriate early years qualification at level 3 and works with his wife who is also a registered childminder. He operates all year round from 7am until 8.45pm, Monday to Friday, providing before school care.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Charmaine Cayton

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 inspector viewed the indoor and outdoor areas intended to be used by children.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder about his knowledge and understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation, such as suitability checks and training certificates.

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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