

Childminder report

Inspection date:

4 October 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 understands how young children learn and develop through purposeful play. She knows how to plan a broad and balanced curriculum with a focus on what interests and excites children. The childminder understands the need to establish what children can already achieve. She is clear about how to sequence learning opportunities, so that children build on what they already know and can do.
- The childminder is clear about the value of providing children with a wide range of experiences to help increase their knowledge and skills in all areas of learning. She discusses how activities such as cooking support mathematical development and support children's communication skills, for example.
- The childminder knows how to promote positive behaviour. She understands the need to encourage children to respect others, to share and take turns. The childminder explains how to help children to understand their own feelings and how to be considerate to others.
- The childminder is aware of how to encourage children to lead a healthy lifestyle. She discusses how to encourage children to make healthy choices about their food, through making food activities fun, for example. The childminder values opportunities for children to spend time in the fresh air and be physically active.
- The childminder values working with parents and other settings children also attend to promote consistency and continuity. She knows how to involve parents in children's learning and keep them up to date on children's learning and development.
- The childminder is clear about current safeguarding legislation and understands how to keep children safe from harm. She knows the correct procedure to follow should she have concerns about a child's welfare. The childminder keeps her home free from hazards to minimise accidents and is aware of how to help children to manage their own safety.

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	EY395406
Local authority	Plymouth
Inspection number	10311501
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	17 December 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2009 and lives in Plymouth, Devon. She operates flexible hours all year round. She occasionally offers overnight care if needed. The childminder is eligible to receive funding for the provision of free early years education for children aged two, three and four years. She works alongside her husband, who is also a registered childminder.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Margaret Baird

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 showed the inspector around the provision and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises.
- The childminder provided the inspector with relevant documentation on request, including evidence of her suitability to work with children.
- The childminder talked to the inspector about her intentions for children's learning
- The inspector checked the childminder's understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.

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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