

Childminder report

Inspection date:

20 July 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 the importance of children developing their confidence and independence. She is aware of the role she plays in supporting children to settle and feel secure in her care. She describes how she encourages children to make choices confidently and play respectfully by taking turns. The childminder has high expectations of children's behaviour.
- The childminder demonstrates a secure understanding of how to safeguard children and what might put a child at risk of harm. She understands what to do in the event of an allegation being made against her or her assistant. She and her assistant attend regular training to keep their safeguarding knowledge up to date. The childminder explains how she and her assistant carry out risk assessments to minimise hazards and prevent accidents.
- The childminder has a good understanding of child development. She explains how she will use ongoing observations and assessments of children's progress to plan and provide a curriculum that build on what children already know. This helps children to prepare for the next stage in their learning.
- The childminder understands how to promote equality and to help children learn about diversity and value individuality. She describes how she encourages children to learn about festivals which are important to their friends and families.
- The childminder knows the importance of working in partnerships with parents, external professionals and any other settings that the children attend. She understands her responsibilities in assessing children's learning and development, and how to share this information.
- The childminder recognises the importance of promoting healthy lifestyles for children. She describes how she encourages children to be physically active, which helps to support children's health and well-being. She plans activities for children to use their senses to explore various foods.
- The childminder and her assistant are committed to their own ongoing professional development. The childminder knows how to evaluate her provision to help improve their practice and to ensure they meet the needs of the children. She considers the advice, support and directives given by her local authority early years adviser. The childminder and her assistant routinely complete training to enhance their childcare knowledge.
- The childminder provides plentiful of opportunities for children to learn in the fresh air. She describes how much children enjoy picking and eating the fresh fruits and vegetables that they grow. She takes children on visits to the local library, supermarkets, and other places of interest.

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	EY408202
Local authority	Brent
Inspection number	10301156
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	2 to 12
Total number of places	8
Number of children on roll	11
Date of previous inspection	17 January 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2010 and lives in London. The childminder operates flexibly all year round. She offers care from 6.30am until 9.30pm for six days a week, except for family holidays. The childminder holds a relevant qualification at level 3. She works with a number of assistants on a rota basis. The childminder offers funded education for three- and four-year-old children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Yuko Utsumi

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 her evaluation of the setting.
- The inspector sampled a range of relevant documentation, including the childminder's qualifications and information records.
- The inspector viewed areas of the premises used for childminding.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she supports children's learning and development.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she meets the safeguarding and welfare requirements when minding 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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