

Childminder report

Inspection date:

16 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 a secure understanding of how to ensure children are safeguarded. She can describe the possible signs and symptoms of abuse that may indicate a child is at risk of harm, radicalisation or female genital mutilation. The childminder is aware of the risks that access to mobile technology can have for children. She has a safeguarding policy and procedure in place, which she shares with parents. She knows how to refer any concerns.
- The childminder knows how to keep the indoor and outdoor environment safe and hygienic for children. She knows the importance of teaching children about how to keep themselves safe, such as when crossing the road.
- The childminder understands the importance of broadening children's experiences. She discussed activities in the local community that children may not typically have access to, such as writing letters and posting them at the post office, or visiting the library to choose books.
- The childminder describes her many years of experience of working with children with special educational needs and/or disabilities. She works with parents to find out about children, determining their starting points and individual needs. The childminder uses this to develop a curriculum based on children's interests and next steps in learning.
- The childminder knows how to support children's behaviour appropriately. This includes supporting them to share and understand rules and routines. The childminder knows the importance of helping children learn to respect others.
- The childminder understands the importance of healthy lifestyles for children. She discussed outdoor activities that offer daily fresh air and exercise, such as park visits and walks in the woods. In addition, she has a clear understanding of healthy balanced diets that meet dietary needs.
- The childminder demonstrates a proactive attitude towards her own professional development. For example, she has recently updated her safeguarding training and paediatric first-aid certificate. The childminder is reflective and welcomes feedback on her provision to enable her to enhance it further.

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	EY428626
Local authority	Derbyshire
Inspection number	10131215
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	12 August 2015

Information about this early years setting

The childminder lives in Bolsover, Chesterfield. She registered in 2011. She operates all year round from 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Susan Hyatt

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 inspector checked the childminder's understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The childminder explained how she plans her curriculum and how she works in partnership with parents.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- The inspector spoke to the childminder about how she reflects on her practice and develops her knowledge and skills.

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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