

Childminder report

Inspection date:

29 July 2022

**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 need to provide a stimulating environment for all children. She has a wide range of age-appropriate resources, which she adapts to meet the needs of children. The childminder provides learning opportunities out of the setting. For example, children enjoy trips to farms, zoos, and museums.
- The childminder provides a safe environment for children. She completes regular risk assessments and provides a variety of age-appropriate equipment to support children's safety and independence.
- The childminder has a consistent approach to behaviour management. She explains how she uses positive reinforcement to support children's understanding of appropriate behaviours. The childminder encourages children to develop an understanding of the impact their behaviour has on others.
- The childminder explains how she monitors children's development. She understands the role of vital assessments in supporting children's learning. The childminder explains how she uses her findings to plan activities to further support children's development.
- The childminder understands the need to work closely with parents. She explains how she communicates children's developmental information and the importance of this in supporting children's learning. The childminder discusses how she gathers vital information from parents when children start. She explains how she uses this to support children's medical and developmental needs.
- The childminder has a strong understanding of her role in safeguarding children. She has a clear understanding of the signs and symptoms, which could indicate a child is at risk of harm. The childminder explains the correct process to follow when reporting concerns about a child and the need to do so in a timely manner.
- The childminder understands her role in supporting children's understanding of healthy lifestyles. She provides healthy meals and snacks and carefully considers any allergies and dietary needs when planning what children eat. Children have plenty of opportunity for physical development, both indoors and on daily trips out to local parks.

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	EY431156
Local authority	Hertfordshire
Inspection number	10231803
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	3
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	23 September 2016

Information about this early years setting

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

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Antonia Campbell

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 looked at relevant documents, including evidence of the suitability of those living on the premises.
- 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 intends to meet 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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