

Childminder report

Inspection date:

29 September 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 COVID-19 pandemic may have affected what children know and can do. She explains how identifying any disruption to learning and addressing this helps children to be prepared for their next stage of education.
- The childminder demonstrates her understanding of the possible signs of abuse and neglect and knows how to report any concerns. She has a clear understanding of wider safeguarding issues and how these may affect children. For example, she has attended training to refresh her awareness of issues around the 'Prevent' duty.
- The childminder uses a wide range of assessment tools to monitor children's development. She understands the importance of sharing what children need to learn next with parents and external agencies.
- The childminder explains her strategies for managing behaviour. She knows that clear expectations help children to become resilient.
- The childminder understands that she needs to promote a healthy lifestyle, such as healthy eating and exercise, to children. For example, she feels it important to encourage children to explore and try new foods.
- The childminder understands the importance of working with parents to get to know the children well. She explains how regularly discussing children's individual needs helps to promote learning and consistency.
- The childminder demonstrates that she is reflective of her own practice. She undertakes regular training to enhance her understanding of children's learning and development.

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	EY450228
Local authority	Hertfordshire
Inspection number	10235885
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	24 November 2016

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2012 and lives in St Albans. She operates Monday to Friday from 7.45am until 8.50am and 11.50am until 6pm, through school term times and some school holidays from 8am until 6pm.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Kate Daurge

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 childminder and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.
- The childminder and the inspector discussed the childminder's self-evaluation process and how she plans to improve her knowledge.

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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