

Childminder report

Inspection date:

9 October 2023

**The quality and
standards of early
years provision**

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not Met (with actions)

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- There have been significant improvements made by the childminder since the last inspection. She has completed training, including obtaining a current paediatric first-aid certificate, and understands the benefits of self-evaluation to enhance her practice. The childminder shows a good understanding of the full roles and responsibilities she is expected to fulfil, and the importance of working in partnership with parents and other professionals.
- The childminder shows a confident knowledge and understanding of all safeguarding and child protection policies and procedures. This includes knowing the signs and symptoms of abuse to be vigilant for and what may highlight a potential concern. She fully understands who to contact to seek advice and how to raise and follow up any concerns. This includes knowing how to manage any allegations raised against herself or adults associated with the address. The childminder keeps her safeguarding knowledge up to date. For instance, she completes regular research and training.
- The childminder shows a good understanding of all areas of learning and how she intends to implement her curriculum. She aims to provide children with a variety of activities and experiences to challenge them and support them to make progress in all areas of learning. For instance, the childminder discusses how she will use the wider community to extend their learning, such as visiting the park and farms.
- The childminder knows how she will establish a positive relationship with parents and keep them involved and informed. She discusses how she will regularly share information about what their children have enjoyed, their achievements and their next steps in their learning.
- The childminder understands the benefits of self-evaluation and will ensure that she continues to enhance her practice. She intends on including parents and children in her evaluation process and will consider their views and suggestions. The childminder discusses how she will use feedback to support her future activity plans.
- The childminder intends to support children to develop positive values and social skills to support their life skills and future learning. For example, she aims to help children understand what is expected of them and their behaviour. This includes, being polite, kind, and respectful to others. The childminder discusses the importance of children gaining confidence to be independent and confident to make their own choices and communicate their needs and feelings.
- The childminder intends for all children to learn about other people's similarities and differences outside of their own experiences and communities. She will welcome and support all children and families, including those who speak English as an additional language and those who have special educational needs and/or disabilities. The childminder intends to teach children about other people's similarities and differences from around the wider world. This includes traditions and languages, such as teaching children Spanish words and tasting food from around the world.

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	EY453374
Local authority	Medway
Inspection number	10279312
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	6 to 7
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	2
Date of previous inspection	4 November 2022

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2013. She is located in Chatham, Kent. The childminder cares for children Monday to Friday, from 7am to 6pm, all year around.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Kelly Hawkins

Inspection activities

- The childminder and inspector discussed the continued impact of the pandemic, and this was considered in the inspector's evaluation of the childminder's practice.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder the learning opportunities she intends to provide children who attend.
- The inspector viewed the indoor and outdoor learning environments.
- Written documentation was reviewed. This included safeguarding and child protection policies and procedures.
- During the inspection, the inspector spoke to the childminder and considered her views.

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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