

Childminder report

Inspection date:

24 February 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 explains how she will ensure all parts of her home are safe, secure and suitable for their purpose. For example, she plans to carry out daily risk assessments to identify hazards and take steps to minimise any risks.
- The childminder has a range of inviting resources. She intends to consider children's interests and what she wants them to learn, to plan suitable activities.
- The childminder plans to take children out daily, to local parks and forests, to promote their well-being and good health. She recognises the importance of meeting specific dietary requirements and following care plans.
- The childminder understands how to promote equality and diversity. She intends to provide interesting resources and broad experiences to develop children's understanding of their own uniqueness and differences.
- The childminder intends to adapt activities, so all children, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities, can take part. She says she will work with parents and seek support from other professionals, if necessary, to help all children make progress.
- The childminder explains she will collect information from parents from the start, to help her recognise what children already know and can do. She demonstrates an understanding of how to work in partnership with parents and plans to give them ideas to support children's learning at home. The childminder intends to give parents regular feedback about their children's development.
- The childminder explains how she will work with other settings children attend, to promote consistency. She recognises the importance of supporting children to be confident and independent in preparation for going to school. The childminder plans to take children to groups and sessions regularly, so they are able to develop their social skills.
- The childminder knows the importance of evaluating her provision. She has considered how to address recommendations from her last inspection. For instance, she intends to offer children opportunities to build and create with 'loose parts', such as tyres and planks, to develop their physical skills. The childminder has completed a range of training to develop her professional knowledge. This includes courses on childhood trauma and communication and language.
- The childminder explains how she will have clear rules and expectations to help children manage their own behaviour. She describes a range of techniques, including yoga and relaxation, that she plans to introduce to give children skills they can use to understand their emotions.
- The childminder demonstrates a suitable understanding of how to safeguard children in her care. She clearly explains how she will record and report her concerns. This includes in the event of allegations against herself or another household member. She understands possible local safeguarding risks and how to recognise and respond to wider safeguarding issues, such as potential extremism.

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	EY481938
Local authority	Essex
Inspection number	10276434
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory 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	14 July 2017

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2014. She lives in Chelmsford, Essex. The childminder operates on Thursdays and Fridays from 8am to 6 pm throughout the year. She holds a relevant childcare qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Fiona Sapler

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 provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The inspector viewed a selection of the childminder's resources that she intends to provide.
- The childminder discussed how she will safeguard children and ensure her premises are safe and suitable.
- The childminder and the inspector discussed how the childminder intends to organise their early years provision and her understanding of how children learn and develop.
- The inspector looked at relevant documentation and reviewed evidence of the childminder's, and other household member's, suitability.

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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