

Childminder report

Inspection date:

23 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 has an excellent knowledge of how to protect young children from harm. She is confident about how to recognise concerns that children may be at risk of harm from abuse or extremist views. The childminder keeps her knowledge up to date through regular training. She records local authority contact information to identify who she needs to contact if she has concerns regarding a child, a professional or another member of her household.
- The childminder explains how she would support and extend children's learning based on observations made by both herself and parents. She discusses the importance of following children's interests and sparking their imagination.
- The childminder describes what she would do to help children feel settled, safe and secure. She discusses her plans for offering families settling-in sessions at the setting to develop relationships and allow children to become familiar with their new surroundings.
- The childminder explains how she will encourage children to read and enjoy books, and why this is important. She has a range of books for children, including sensory books to interest younger children. The childminder understands the importance of introducing books from a very young age. She plans to encourage children's literacy skills through books, reading, rhymes and singing.
- The childminder intends to work with other settings and professionals to help ensure children's care is consistent and their development understood and promoted.
- The childminder has a good knowledge of how to develop children's physical skills. There is a large climbing dome and logs for balancing. As well as this, she provides resources such as steps, hula-hoops, balls and ribbons to enhance children's large-muscle skills.
- The childminder has a good understanding of keeping children safe. She discusses the risk assessment she uses for walking to school. The childminder teaches children how to use the zebra crossing safely and the dangers of strangers.
- The childminder explains how she completes risk assessments for indoors and in the garden. She identifies risks and discusses how she keeps children safe.
- The childminder accesses regular webinars and training to extend her knowledge and skills.

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	EY487818
Local authority	Norfolk
Inspection number	10276666
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	26 July 2017

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2015 and lives in Norwich, Norfolk. She operates all year round from 7.30am until 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Vikki Reynolds

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 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 inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to meet the learning and development requirements for the early years foundation stage.

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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