

Childminder Report

Inspection date	21 July 2017
Previous inspection date	9 January 2014

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Met	
	Previous inspection:	Good	2

Summary of key findings for parents

The provision meets requirements

- The childminder understands how young children learn through play and exploration. She explains how she will use information from her observations of their development to inform assessments and create individual learning goals.
- The childminder has continued to develop her skills to work with children. She has recently enhanced her knowledge of how to help them develop basic literacy skills, such as letters and sounds. She understands how to prepare them for starting school. She explains how she will evaluate her practice and drive improvements.
- The childminder explains the flexible procedures she will follow to help her get to know children when they start attending. She understands the importance of developing secure bonds with babies and children and knows how to meet a range of care needs to promote inclusion.
- The childminder discusses how she will help children develop independence, health awareness, confidence and good social skills. She has clear strategies to follow to positively manage their behaviour and will provide healthy, nutritious food.
- The childminder has established strong partnerships in the local community and with other settings children attend, such as school. She understands how to promote effective partnership working with parents and values their involvement.
- The childminder understands her role to keep children safe and protect them from harm. She knows how to teach children to keep themselves safe and has robust procedures to follow if she has any concerns about their welfare.

There were no children 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 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.

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the educational programmes for children and undertake observation, assessment and planning.
- The inspector discussed the policies and procedures with the childminder and viewed documentation that she will use when caring for children.
- The inspector toured the areas of the premises used by children and discussed the equipment and toys available.
- The inspector discussed the safeguarding and welfare requirements with the childminder and took into consideration the suitability checks.

Inspector

Michelle Lorains

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY217805
Local authority	Durham
Inspection number	1101887
Type of provision	Childminder
Day care type	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Age range of children	0 - 8
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Name of registered person	
Date of previous inspection	9 January 2014
Telephone number	

The childminder registered in 2001. She lives in Browney near Durham. She operates all year round from 7.30am until 8.50am and then from 1.30pm to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder occasionally works with a co-childminder.

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