

Childminder report

Inspection date	23 October 2018
Previous inspection date	26 June 2018

The quality and standards of the early years provision	This inspection:	Met
	Previous inspection:	Not met (with actions)

Summary of key findings for parents

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has successfully addressed the actions raised at the last inspection. For example, she has attended safeguarding training to ensure she is up to date with current guidance and legislation. Furthermore, the childminder knows who she needs to notify in the event of an allegation being made against herself or anyone else living in the household.
- The childminder is aware of the benefits of children having daily opportunities to be physically active and to play outdoors. She talks about attending community activities, such as toddler groups, to enable children to mix and socialise with others.
- The childminder provides a good variety of age-appropriate resources to promote children's development. She understands how to plan for children's next steps in learning and how to extend their play experiences to help them to make ongoing progress.
- The childminder discusses how she will establish positive partnerships with parents and other professionals, including teachers from local primary schools. She appreciates the importance of effective communication to support children's future learning.
- The childminder recognises how to appropriately manage children's behaviour. She talks about using a firm and consistent approach to help children to understand boundaries and know what is expected of them.

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 spoke with the childminder about the educational programmes and discussed the range of toys, equipment and resources available for children in the early years age group.
- The inspector looked at and discussed a range of records, policies and procedures with the childminder.
- The inspector checked evidence of qualifications and suitability of the childminder and other adults living in the household.

Inspector
Rachel Enright

Setting details

Unique reference number	300999
Local authority	Darlington
Inspection number	10069262
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children	0 - 9
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	1
Date of previous inspection	26 June 2018

The childminder registered in 1999 and lives in the Middleton St George area of Darlington. The childminder operates all year round from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

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