

Childminder report

Inspection date:

11 September 2019

**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 a secure knowledge of safeguarding procedures. She knows the signs and symptoms of abuse and knows how to escalate potential concerns regarding a child's well-being.
- The childminder demonstrates her sound knowledge of child development and how she will use her home, resources and outdoor play area to support children's progress. She is aware of how to use her observations of children's play to accurately plan interesting activities to support their learning.
- The childminder describes how she will manage children's behaviour in a supportive way. She understands that children need to gain a positive view of diversity and respect any differences between themselves and others.
- The childminder has a clear understanding of how to help children form close bonds and attachments to her and other children to support their emotional development. She describes how she will help them to learn self-care skills, independence and social confidence in readiness for school.
- The childminder describes the appropriate methods used for engaging parents and encouraging them to share what they know about their child. She recognises the importance of finding out about children's care routines when they start attending. She explains the sound practices she adopts to keep parents informed of children's achievements.
- The childminder discusses how she evaluates her service. She completes training courses to refresh her knowledge and keep up to date with changes in legislation.

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.

Setting details

Unique reference number	403115
Local authority	Northumberland
Inspection number	10065207
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children	0 to 8
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	15 April 2016

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 1998 and lives in Linden Acres near Morpeth. She operates term time only from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 6.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Eileen Grimes

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the premises.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder her knowledge and understanding of the requirements of the early years foundation stage.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder her understanding of safeguarding procedures.
- The inspector checked the suitability of all relevant members of the household.
- The inspector viewed a range of documents, such as policies and risk assessments.

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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