

Childminder report

Inspection date:

14 November 2019

**The quality and
standards of early
years provision**

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Outstanding

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder understands how to observe children to identify their interests and plan for what they need to learn next. She describes how she supports children to help them to make progress in their learning. The childminder has a range of resources, appropriate for all ages of children. She discusses how she encourages children to form secure attachments and be happy and secure.
- The childminder has attended relevant training to keep her knowledge of child protection up to date. She is aware of the procedures to follow if she has concerns about a child's welfare. The childminder understands how to maintain children's safety and well-being. She describes how she encourages children to learn to keep themselves safe, for example, by learning basic first aid.
- The childminder knows how to provide an inclusive environment where children's differences are valued, and they learn to respect each other. She is aware of the importance of teaching children to become independent and to prepare them well for school. The childminder describes how she will teach children to manage their own behaviour and to listen, share and take turns when they play.
- The childminder explains how she will encourage children to follow healthy lifestyles. She discusses the importance of providing children with nutritious snacks and how she encourages them to bring healthy packed lunches. The childminder provides regular opportunities for children to be active outside in the fresh air. She talks about how she provides children with a range of exciting visits to places such as museums, lighthouses, stately homes, local parks and woodlands.
- The childminder understands the importance of working with parents and other professionals to make sure that children's needs are met. She has appropriate arrangements in place to find out about children's needs. The childminder keeps parents informed about their children's progress and experiences. Comments from parents are extremely positive. They state that they are delighted to have found such a great childminder and feel very lucky to have her in their children's lives.
- The childminder is committed to improving the quality of her setting and understands the importance of keeping her knowledge and training up to date. She describes how she evaluates her practice and make plans for improvement, seeking the views of parents and children. For example, she talks about her plans to enhance the outdoor area even further.

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	EY409635
Local authority	Northumberland
Inspection number	10117135
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children	2 to 8
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	18
Date of previous inspection	16 July 2015

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2010 and lives in Morpeth, Northumberland. She operates during term time from 7.30am to 9am and 3pm to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder offers occasional sessions from 9am to 3pm on weekdays during term time, and care at weekends on request. She operates during the school holidays from 7.30am to 6pm, Monday to Friday.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Melanie Vincent

Inspection activities

- The inspector had a tour of the areas of the premises used by children and discussed the equipment and toys available.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to meet the care, learning and development needs of children.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder her understanding of the safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The inspector looked at a sample of documentation that the childminder will use when caring for children.
- The inspector gathered the views of parents from written documentation available.

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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