

Childminder report

Inspection date:

6 January 2020

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Met

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has clear knowledge of ensuring that children are supported emotionally. She knows the value of getting to know the children in her care and expresses a wish that they become part of the extended family. The childminder demonstrates how she would meet the individual needs of the children and support them to be independent learners, for example by allowing children to carry out tasks for themselves.
- The childminder takes steps to keep her knowledge of how children learn up to date. She carries out independent research and looks into ways to ensure that children in her care will receive a high-quality education. The childminder has attended relevant training, including first aid and safeguarding.
- There is a wide range of resources for children to access. The childminder has taken into consideration all ages of children that could attend her care. The resources are suitable to meet the needs of different ages of children.
- The childminder understands the importance of completing regular observations of children's learning. She clearly discusses how assessments need to be accurate to ensure that children make good progress. Furthermore, there are effective systems in place to share this information with parents regarding children's progress.
- The childminder understands the significance of working in partnership with parents. She has processes in place to gain relevant information from parents when children first start. She demonstrates awareness of sharing information with parents, such as the process of carrying out the progress check for children aged between two and three years.
- The environment is safe and secure, and the childminder regularly carries out risk assessments. The childminder has a secure and robust knowledge of safeguarding practices, and demonstrates awareness of wider safeguarding issues and the 'Prevent' duty to keep children safe from extremist views. She can clearly identify the signs of abuse and knows the appropriate actions to take should the need arise. The childminder has a clear understanding of keeping records, including accident report forms and children's attendance records.
- The childminder has a thorough understanding of how to promote positive behaviour strategies with children. She demonstrates her knowledge regarding how to manage children's behaviour effectively. Strategies that she uses are dependent on the child's level of understanding. She has recently attended further training on positive behaviour management.
- The childminder expresses enthusiasm for supporting children to be physically active. Inside, resources are provided to support younger children to move independently. Outside, children have access to a garden area and will regularly attend the park that is situated at the front of the setting. Children can develop their large-muscle skills by climbing up the slides and balancing on various equipment.

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	EY427861
Local authority	Staffordshire
Inspection number	10116182
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children	0 to 0
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	2 December 2015

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2011 and lives in the village of Wheaton Aston, Stafford. She operates all year round from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for family holidays. The childminder holds a degree in early years.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Laura Green

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the education programmes for children.
- Relevant documentation that the childminder uses was looked at by the inspector.
- The inspector discussed childcare practices with the childminder.
- All areas of the childminder's home available for childminding were looked at by the inspector.
- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability of the childminder and other household members.

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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