

Childminder report

Inspection date:

28 September 2021

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not Met (with actions)

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder demonstrates a sound understanding of child protection and of her responsibility to safeguard the children in her care. She undertakes regular, relevant training to keep her knowledge and procedures up to date.
- The premises are welcoming and organised well. The childminder provides a wide range of resources and activities, which are easily accessible. Well thought out risk assessments are in place. The childminder reviews them regularly to ensure the premises is safe.
- The childminder understands how to provide clear boundaries around behaviour expectations. She knows it is important to plan activities that involve turn taking to promote sharing and help children to respect other's opinions.
- The childminder recognises the vital importance of children feeling safe and secure. Her policy highlights the importance of having a gradual settling-in process, with parents allowing time for children to get to know everyone and familiarise themselves with the setting.
- The childminder keeps up to date with regulations and inspection guidance. She updates her policies and procedures to reflect the updated requirements.
- The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the learning and development requirements. She knows how to plan an interesting curriculum, which builds on children's interests and complements their school day.

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	126669
Local authority	Kent
Inspection number	10136767
Type of provision	Childminder
Registers	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
Day care type	Childminder
Age range of children at time of inspection	0 to 0
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	2 October 2015

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 1995 and lives in Chatham, Kent. The childminder offers before- and after-school care during school terms.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Lizzie Mackey

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the provider received since the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder about her safeguarding knowledge and the procedures in place to safeguard children's welfare.
- The inspector viewed the childminder's home and garden and discussed the risk assessment in place to minimise hazards.
- The inspector sampled a range of documentation, including evidence paediatric first-aid and safeguarding training certificates.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder about how she plans effectively for individual children's needs and supports their care and learning.

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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