

Childminder report

Inspection date:

25 April 2022

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder discusses the possible signs that a child may be being abused. She knows where to report any concerns she may have about children's safety. She ensures that training, such as first aid, is updated regularly.
- The childminder shows the inspector some of the resources she has to extend children's learning. She talks about how she uses craft activities to support children's interests. She explains how she gives children choices of things they would like to do after school or in the holidays. She explains that she likes children to follow their interests as much as possible, after a full day in school.
- The childminder talks about how she works with parents. She discusses how she finds out from parents what their children like doing at home. She explains how she shares information about what children have been doing when parents collect them.
- The childminder explains how she encourages children to talk about their day. She describes how she makes time to listen to them and explore their ideas and understanding.
- The childminder shares how she manages children's behaviour. She explains how she has reviewed the way she manages this following a training course. She discusses how it is important to find the cause of the behaviour and talks about how she provides reassurance alongside this. She explains that this helps to calm children, as well as managing their behaviour.
- The provider explains how she will help children to stay healthy. She discusses how she provides healthy snacks and meals. She talks about how she provides meals that children like but encourages them to try new things too. The childminder provides opportunities for children to get fresh air and exercise, particularly during the school holidays.
- The provider explains how she reviews her setting. She is aware that she wants to do further training to strengthen her knowledge further.
- The childminder discusses how she works with local schools that children attend. She explains that she talks to teachers about what children are doing and how she can support them further.

There were no children in the early years age range 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 early years 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	305720
Local authority	Stockton-on-Tees
Inspection number	10225941
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	7 to 7
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	1
Date of previous inspection	28 September 2016

Information about this early years setting

The childminder was registered in 1984 and lives in Billingham. She operates for 47 weeks of the year from 7.30am to 9am and 3.15pm to 5.30pm, Monday to Friday. In the school holidays, she opens from 8am to 5pm.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Elizabeth Fish

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the setting received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the setting.
- The childminder showed the inspector around her home. She discussed with the inspector how she organises her sessions and plans for children's interests.
- The inspector looked at a sample of the childminder's documents. This included evidence of her suitability.
- The childminder explained how she manages her provision and discussed safeguarding with the inspector.

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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