

Childminder report

Inspection date:

23 May 2022

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Not applicable

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a good understanding of her roles and responsibilities in relation to keeping children safe. She knows the process to follow if she needs to raise concerns and has robust policies and procedures in place. The childminder is aware of risks in the home. She describes how she will keep children safe while out on visits to the park.
- The childminder confidently explains how she plans to support children's learning and development. She has a range of age-appropriate resources available, which are considered to meet the needs of the children. She talks about how to track and monitor the children and plan suitable activities to extend their learning.
- The childminder recognises the importance of obtaining information about the child before they start, for example about the child's interests and abilities. This will enable her to effectively support the child's learning and developmental needs. She offers settling-in sessions before the child starts to ensure a smooth transition into her care. She talks about the importance of sharing information with the parents about their child's progress and development.
- The childminder shows an understanding of the needs of different ages of children and wants to provide an environment that all children are happy in. She talks about providing a 'chill out' area for older children to use when they come back from school. She talks about the importance of supporting children to manage their emotional development and interact positively with each other.
- The childminder is aware of how to identify children if they require additional support, for example those who speak English as an additional language (EAL). She plans to work closely with the parents and gather key words in the children's home languages to support their communication. The childminder is aware of the importance for children who speak EAL to join in and make relationships with other children in the setting.

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	EY563198
Local authority	Essex
Inspection number	10191335
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	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2018 and lives in Harlow. She operates Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm all year round. The childminder holds a relevant early years qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Emily Woodhead

Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the provider 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 provider.
- The inspector had a tour of the areas of the premises used for childminding.
- The childminder and the inspector held discussions regarding how the childminder plans to support children's learning and development.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder to assess her knowledge and understanding of safeguarding.
- The inspector viewed a range of documentation, including suitability documents for the childminder and her assistants.

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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