

# Childminder report

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Inspection date:

24 October 2022

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

**This  
inspection**

**Not met (with actions)**

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Previous  
inspection

Good

## Summary of key findings

### This provision does not meet requirements

- The childminder has not kept her first-aid training certificate up to date. She has allowed her first-aid qualification to expire and did not take steps to renew it in a timely manner. This is a breach of the statutory requirements. Nevertheless, the childminder is able to describe how she would respond appropriately in the event of a medical emergency to protect children's well-being.
- The childminder is fully aware of her responsibility to safeguard children. She is able to identify children who may be more vulnerable to abuse or neglect. The childminder is clear of the actions to take if she has any safeguarding concerns. She knows what to do if an allegation is made about herself or a member of the household.
- The childminder ensures her setting is safe for children. She describes how she will take additional steps to make her home suitable for younger children by using equipment, such as stair gates and booster seats.
- The childminder understands how young children learn. She has a range of age-appropriate resources to support their development. The childminder will gather information from parents about what children can already do when they start. She will use this information and her own observations to plan activities that will help all children make progress.
- The childminder knows how to assess children's learning and what action to take if she observes any gaps in their development. She has a sound knowledge of the required assessments, such as the progress check when children are aged between two and three years.
- The childminder explains how she will support children's healthy lifestyles. This includes plenty of access to the garden and daily trips to the local park or soft-play venues. The childminder will make sure that children understand the importance of keeping themselves healthy, such as washing their hands before meals and eating nutritious food.
- The childminder has high expectations for children's behaviour. She will role model good manners and respect for others. The childminder says she will give children time and the confidence to express themselves and talk about how they feel.
- The childminder understands how to build partnerships with parents and other settings that children may attend. She recognises the importance of sharing information to support children's learning. The childminder says she would keep parents well informed about their children's development, so they can work together to help maximise children's progress.
- The childminder intends to support children's understanding of diversity and respect for others. She will provide opportunities for children to explore and celebrate cultures beyond their own. The childminder has a range of books and resources, so children can see themselves reflected in her provision.

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.

## What does the setting need to do to improve?

**To meet the requirements of the early years foundation stage and Childcare Register the provider must:**

	Due date
complete an approved paediatric first-aid course.	25/11/2022

## Setting details

<b>Unique reference number</b>	EY458316
<b>Local authority</b>	Hertfordshire
<b>Inspection number</b>	10236077
<b>Type of provision</b>	Childminder
<b>Registers</b>	Early Years Register, Compulsory Childcare Register, Voluntary Childcare Register
<b>Day care type</b>	Childminder
<b>Age range of children at time of inspection</b>	6 to 7
<b>Total number of places</b>	6
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	2
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	12 January 2017

## Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2013 and lives in Cheshunt, Hertfordshire. She operates all year round from 7.30am until 4pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

Fiona Sapler

### Inspection activities

- This was the first routine inspection the childminder received since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The inspector discussed the impact of the pandemic with the childminder and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provision.
- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The childminder demonstrated her knowledge of how children learn and safeguarding, through discussion with the inspector.
- The inspector viewed key documentation, including checks to evidence the childminder's suitability.

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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