

Childminder report

Inspection date:

20 December 2022

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

**This
inspection**

Not met (with actions)

Previous
inspection

Met

Summary of key findings

This provision does not meet requirements

- There are breaches of the requirements of the early years foundation stage. The childminder does not have a secure understanding of how children develop and learn. She does not demonstrate that she knows how to observe and assess what children know already. This lack of knowledge prevents the childminder from describing how she will plan suitable activities, which will help children to progress in their next steps in learning.
- The childminder is unaware of the requirement to complete the progress check for children aged between two and three years. Moreover, she does not demonstrate sufficient knowledge of the prime areas of learning beyond children's language and communication development.
- The childminder fails to demonstrate that she maintains children's records, such as their hours of attendance and personal information appropriately. She is not able to retrieve children's emergency contact details if required. This is because children's records are unavailable and inaccessible for inspection. This is a breach of a safeguarding requirement.
- The childminder has some understanding of how to promote positive partnerships with parents. For example, she knows that she must keep parents informed of their children's routines and activities.
- The childminder understands that children benefit from regular visits to the park and library. She recognises that these opportunities provide children with additional social interaction and promote their physical skills.
- The childminder confidently describes how she organises her environment, so children can freely explore and play. She knows that speaking to children with simple words and naming objects helps them to build their early language skills.
- The childminder demonstrates that she has assessed some risks. For instance, she has installed safety gates in her home. The childminder explains that this prevents children accessing areas unsupervised.
- The childminder knows that only adults who have been fully vetted are permitted to care for children unsupervised. She knows that she must check the suitability of any assistants.
- The childminder has attended mandatory training in first aid and safeguarding. This has helped improve her knowledge of local safeguarding procedures and her responsibility to report concerns.
- The childminder explains how she provides consistent routines for children. She explains how she will meet children's basic care needs, such as their dietary, hygiene and sleep needs. The childminder knows that this contributes to helping children to settle and feel safe and secure.

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
improve knowledge and understanding of observation and assessment to provide quality learning and development experiences for children that help them to progress in their next steps in learning	31/01/2023
develop knowledge and understanding of how to complete the progress check for children aged between two and three years	31/01/2023
maintain children's records and personal information appropriately and ensure that they are accessible and available for persons who have a right or professional need to see them.	13/01/2023

Setting details

Unique reference number	EY346447
Local authority	London Borough of Waltham Forest
Inspection number	10267559
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	1 to 1
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	1
Date of previous inspection	16 February 2022

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2006. She lives in Walthamstow, in the London Borough of Waltham Forest. The childminder offers care all year round from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday. She has completed appropriate childminder training.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Olivia Awolola

Inspection activities

- The inspector discussed any continued impact of the pandemic with the provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- We carried out this inspection as a result of a risk assessment, following information we received about the provider.
- The childminder and the inspector discussed how the childminder organises their learning environment.
- The inspector held a discussion with the childminder regarding her knowledge of child development and safeguarding.
- The inspector viewed the provision and discussed the safety and suitability of the premises.

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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