

Childminder report

Inspection date:

1 February 2023

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder explains how she would regularly assess children's development to identify any gaps. She uses the information, alongside observations, to plan and sequence her curriculum and environment to provide appropriate learning opportunities for children.
- The childminder demonstrates a good knowledge of all areas of learning in the early years foundation stage. She explains how she would provide a well organised and secure setting for children. The childminder understands the importance of gathering information about each child to plan and sequence her curriculum.
- The childminder has recently attended safeguarding training and is confident to explain the local procedures to report any concerns. She keeps up to date on wider safeguarding issues, including female genital mutilation and the 'Prevent' duty.
- The childminder understands the importance of developing good partnerships with parents. She explains how she would communicate daily with parents to provide them with all information needed about their child's care and learning.
- Through discussion, the childminder explains how she would provide outings to local areas, so that children can develop their physical skills and spend time outdoors.
- When children attend another setting, the childminder understands the importance of exchanging information about all aspects of children's development and care, including the progress check at age two.
- Through discussion, the childminder explains how she would prioritise oral health as part of the children's day and she would encourage them to brush their teeth daily. She will teach children about the importance of a healthy diet.
- The childminder knows the importance of evaluating her practice and identifying further areas for improvement. She ensures she keeps her knowledge up to date and attends mandatory training.

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	EY249313
Local authority	Essex
Inspection number	10264275
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	1
Date of previous inspection	9 June 2017

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2003 and lives in North Weald, Essex. She operates from 7.30am until 6.45pm each weekday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 3. She provides funded early education for three- and four-year-old children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Stephanie Mottram

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 childminder.
- The inspector sampled the childminder's documentation, including her training certificates.
- The inspector checked evidence of the suitability of the childminder and household members.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to provide activities and experiences to support children's learning.
- The inspector looked at written testimonials from parents, and children who are cared for by the childminder.

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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