

Childminder report

Inspection date:

28 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 is knowledgeable about safeguarding procedures. She knows the types of abuse and can recognise the possible signs and symptoms of abuse. The childminder has a safeguarding policy and knows how to make a referral about a child or an adult. She keeps accurate records of children's attendance and accidents. The childminder makes sure that she receives regular updates from the local safeguarding partnership.
- The childminder is friendly, calm and approachable and her setting is clean and well organised.
- The childminder describes how she will provide apparatus for children in her enclosed garden to develop their physical skills, such as climbing. She explains how she will consider all aspects of children's safety. The childminder explains the importance of supervising children at all times.
- The childminder's assistants are family members. She ensures that their suitability is checked and they have completed first-aid training. The childminder is passionate about early years education and care. She is knowledgeable about the early years foundation stage. The childminder explains how she will evaluate her practice and regularly participates in training. She describes how she shares new information with her assistants.
- The childminder explains how she has a routine which involves children walking to school each day and visiting parks and natural environments. She describes how she will promote children's healthy lifestyles, including having lots of exercise through physical play. The childminder discusses how children will have opportunities to sleep and eat a healthy and varied diet that includes fruit.
- The childminder discusses how she will develop good links with other professionals and the local school to support children's transitions.
- The childminder describes how she will build strong relationships with parents. She discusses how she will support diversity within her setting and the community. The childminder explains how she will gather information from parents to identify children's starting points in learning. She will find out what individual children like and recognises that children have different ways of learning. The childminder will offer children opportunities to experiment and enjoy new experiences.
- The childminder discusses the importance of modelling good manners and treating people with dignity. She explains how she will aim to give children the best start in life and values children.

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	EY484850
Local authority	Sheffield
Inspection number	10276563
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	9 to 10
Total number of places	12
Number of children on roll	2
Date of previous inspection	20 July 2017

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2015 and lives in Sheffield. She operates all year round from 7.30am to 6pm, Monday to Friday and provides overnight care. The childminder offers funded early education for children aged two, three and four years. She holds a relevant qualification at level 6 and works with two assistants.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Caroline Brooks

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 childminder showed the inspector areas of the home and garden used for childminding and explained how she makes sure that they are suitable and safe.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about their intentions for children's learning.
- The childminder showed the inspector relevant policies and documents showing the suitability of 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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