

# Childminder report

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Inspection date:

10 March 2023

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

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Outstanding

## Summary of key findings

### This provision meets requirements

- The childminder has a good understanding of how to support children's development in order to help them make continual progress in their learning. She recognises the importance of planning a wide range of rich learning opportunities for children. She demonstrates, through discussion, how she would plan activities for children across all areas of learning, taking into account their individual needs and interests.
- The childminder recognises the importance of working in partnership with parents and other settings children attend to ensure continuity of care and learning. She spoke about the systems she will put in place to ensure that parents are regularly informed about the developmental progress their children are making. This includes providing parents with ideas around ways in which they can support their child's learning at home.
- The childminder has a clear understanding of her responsibility to safeguard children. She recognises the signs which could indicate a child is at risk of abuse or harm. She is confident in her knowledge of the procedures she must follow if she has concerns about a child's welfare. This includes the procedures she must follow if an allegation is made against her.
- The childminder is able to demonstrate, through discussion, how she will support children to learn about healthy lifestyles. She spoke about vegetable growing in the garden and how this helps children to learn about where the food we eat comes from. She spoke about how she will provide children with daily opportunities to play outdoors to benefit from fresh air and exercise.
- The childminder understands the importance of helping children to understand expectations for behaviour. She spoke about how she will manage behaviour issues according to children's age and stage of development. The childminder spoke about the strategies she will put in place to help children to learn the importance of being kind to their friends. This includes helping children to recognise and understand their emotions.
- The childminder demonstrates how she will identify gaps in children's knowledge and learning. She understands the importance of addressing this at the earliest opportunity. She is clear about how she will work in partnership with parents and other professionals to ensure that children receive targeted support if required.
- The childminder places a high priority on her own professional development. She has undertaken a range of training since the last inspection in order to refresh and extend her knowledge and practice. She has clear priorities for her ongoing development. This includes a further qualification to build on the rich outdoor learning opportunities she already intends to provide.
- The childminder is clear about how she will ensure that the premises are safe and secure, so that children are not exposed to hazards and risks to their safety. She demonstrates a clear understanding of the importance of undertaking thorough risk assessments when taking children on outings. She maintains her paediatric first-aid training to further assure children's safety.

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

<b>Unique reference number</b>	160865
<b>Local authority</b>	Hampshire
<b>Inspection number</b>	10264731
<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>	0 to 0
<b>Total number of places</b>	12
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	0
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	23 June 2017

## Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 1998. She lives in the village of Whitchurch, in Hampshire. She works with two assistants and operates weekdays for most of the year. The childminder has an early years childcare qualification at level 3.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

Carla Roberts

### 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 provider and has taken that into account in their evaluation of the provider.
- The childminder spoke to the inspector about how she intends to implement a curriculum which supports children's learning.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request, including evidence of paediatric first-aid training and public liability insurance.
- 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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