

Childminder report

Inspection date:

6 April 2023

The quality and standards of early years provision

This inspection

Not met (with actions)

Previous inspection

Not applicable

Summary of key findings

This provision does not meet requirements

- The childminder understands how to keep children safe. She assesses risk effectively to ensure her home is suitable for children. The childminder has knowledge of the types of abuse. She knows who to report concerns about a child to.
- The childminder explains how she will create effective partnership with parents. She plans to communicate face to face with parents on a day-to-day basis and via email. She plans to share photographs with parents, so they know what their child has been learning. The childminder recognises the need to work with other professionals to support the children she cares for.
- The childminder understands how to plan activities for children. She explains how she will use children's interests, knowledge and abilities to plan activities to meet their next steps. She plans to provide a range of indoor and outdoor opportunities for children.
- The childminder intends to support children to make healthy choices. She describes how she will talk to children about healthy lifestyles and provide children with healthy snacks and water to drink.
- The childminder plans to ensure that children have opportunities to develop their physical skills, for example, by going for walks in the local area, visiting the local park and playing in the garden.
- The childminder has clear expectations for children's behaviour. She understands the importance of having an established routine, so that children feel safe, happy and secure. The childminder knows how to develop opportunities and activities that encourage children to communicate with others, to share and take turns.
- The childminder knows how to adapt activities according to the needs of individual children. She recognises that training will improve her knowledge and practice development, and ensure she is kept up to date.
- The childminder has previously held a paediatric first-aid certificate. This has lapsed which means the childminder has not had the required training to maintain her basic skills and knowledge. Therefore, she may not be able to assess emergency situations, or take the appropriate action to deal with accidents, injuries and emergencies.

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
obtain and maintain a relevant paediatric first-aid certificate.	13/05/2023

Setting details

Unique reference number	2604859
Local authority	West Northamptonshire
Inspection number	10263589
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	0
Date of previous inspection	Not applicable

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2020 and lives in the Grange Park area of Northampton. She operates all year round from 7am until 3.30pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder offers overnight care for children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Karen Siddons

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 discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the curriculum for children and undertake observation, assessment, and planning.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation.
- The inspector checked the areas of the premises used by children and discussed the equipment and toys available.
- The inspector discussed the safeguarding and welfare requirements with the childminder and checked the suitability of adults living in the household.

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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