

# Childminder report

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Inspection date:

22 June 2023

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

**This  
inspection**

**Met**

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Previous  
inspection

Met

## Summary of key findings

### This provision meets requirements

- The childminder explains how she reviews her knowledge and completes training, so that she maintains a clear understanding of the learning and development requirements of the Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage. She details how she would assess children's development and plan activities that aid them in taking the next steps in their learning.
- Through discussion, the childminder shows how she intends to build an understanding of each child and offer them further play and learning opportunities that help to extend their knowledge and skills. She explains how she will support children in developing their language and communication skills, for example, through singing and narrating their play.
- The childminder continues to complete training and demonstrates a sound awareness of safeguarding. She explains how she would identify and report any concerns about children's welfare. She shows a clear understanding of her responsibility to promote children's safety, welfare and well-being.
- The childminder shows an appropriate knowledge of behaviour management. She illustrates how she would support children to understand their emotions and develop the skills to manage their behaviour. This would include working closely with parents and other childcare providers, to ensure consistency for children.
- The childminder explains how she intends to continue risk assessing all areas of her home that will be used by children. She has maintained an assortment of toys and explains how she will ensure that these are easily accessible. The childminder has appropriate equipment in place to support her in caring for children.
- Through discussion, the childminder shows that she understands the importance of promoting children's health. She explains how she plans to help children understand the relevance of healthy lifestyles, including healthy eating.
- The childminder has maintained and reviewed her policies. She has paperwork in place to support her in keeping all relevant records, such as daily registers and a record of any accidents. She details how she will ask parents and children for feedback and use this to support her in making ongoing improvements to her childcare provision.

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>	EY403161
<b>Local authority</b>	Hertfordshire
<b>Inspection number</b>	10288912
<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>	6
<b>Number of children on roll</b>	0
<b>Date of previous inspection</b>	6 November 2017

## Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2010 and lives in Hitchin. She operates all year round from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, except for bank holidays and family holidays. The childminder holds an appropriate qualification at level 3. She also offers overnight care.

## Information about this inspection

### Inspector

Kelly Eyre

### 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 provider.
- The inspector talked with the childminder about how she plans to assess children's progress and promote their learning.
- The inspector viewed areas of the home and garden that will be used for childminding. She viewed a selection of toys, resources and equipment.
- The inspector viewed relevant documentation, including the safeguarding procedures and proof of the suitability of household members.

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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