

Childminder report

Inspection date:

17 July 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 understands the importance of building strong and effective partnerships with parents and other settings that children attend. She knows to gather information when children first start with her to plan for their learning. The childminder appreciates the need to regularly share information on children's progress and achievements, to support the next steps for their future development. Parents of older children who attend the setting comment on the commitment and professionalism of the childminder towards her role and responsibilities.
- The childminder is vigilant in safeguarding the children in her care. She is confident in how she would identify the signs and symptoms of abuse and the procedures she would use to report any concerns for a child's welfare. She updates and reviews her policies regularly, to ensure they contain correct contact details.
- The childminder recognises the need to plan for her professional development to continuously update her practice and understanding. For example, she has completed a safeguarding course, which has helped her to gain further knowledge in wider issues, such as county lines and radicalisation.
- The childminder knows to engage children in meaningful discussions and activities to help them to gain an early awareness of making healthy choices in the food they eat. The childminder appreciates the need for children to have opportunities to be physically active and frequent access to the outdoors to help them to manage simple risks in their play.
- The childminder knows to carefully watch the progress that children make, to help her to quickly identify potential gaps in their development. This ensures that children gain additional support if required. She is confident in how she would provide a stimulating learning environment, both indoors and outdoors, to help children to become excited learners.
- The childminder recognises the need to help children to understand about good behaviour and how they can manage their own emotions. She knows how to help children to gain independence in their own self-care skills, to build on their confidence and self-esteem.

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	EY493039
Local authority	Hampshire
Inspection number	10301585
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	5 to 8
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	6
Date of previous inspection	15 January 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2015 and lives in Farnborough, Hampshire. She works Monday to Thursday, all year round from 7.30am to 5pm. The childminder holds a relevant childcare qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Gwendolyn Andrews

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 inspector viewed the areas of the home and garden that are used for childminding purposes.
- The childminder and the inspector discussed the process of self-evaluation and the current areas identified for improvement. The inspector also discussed how the childminder plans for her own professional development.
- A range of documentation was sampled, including suitability checks and policies and procedures.
- The inspector held discussions with the childminder about her safeguarding knowledge and reporting procedures.

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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