

Childminder report

Inspection date:

4 October 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 explains how she will ensure all parts of her home are safe, secure and suitable for their purpose. For example, she plans to carry out daily risk assessments of her home and garden to identify hazards and take steps to minimise any risks.
- The childminder intends to take children out daily to nearby amenities, such as parks and the beach. She understands the importance of providing opportunities for children to be active and develop their physical skills.
- The childminder intends to offer a well-balanced diet and meet specific dietary requirements to support children's well-being and health needs.
- The childminder understands how to promote equality and diversity. She intends to take into consideration children's individual needs, backgrounds and experiences to help all children and their families feel welcomed.
- The childminder has a range of resources and equipment to meet the needs of children of different ages and stages of development.
- The childminder says she will work with parents and signpost them to other professionals if necessary, to help all children make progress. She recognises the importance of sharing information with other settings children attend to provide consistent support.
- The childminder explains she will collect information from parents and use her own observations from the start, to help her recognise what children already know and can do. She explains how she will use this knowledge to plan interesting learning experiences for children. The childminder demonstrates an understanding of how to work in partnership with parents.
- The childminder explains how she will have clear rules and expectations to help children manage their own behaviour. She describes a range of strategies, including breathing techniques, that she plans to introduce to give children skills they can use to understand their emotions.
- The childminder knows the importance of evaluating her provision. She has considered how to address recommendations from her last inspection. For instance, the childminder explains how she will ensure that she makes the most of all learning opportunities to help children learn and understand more.
- The childminder holds a current first-aid qualification, as required. She is aware of the need to maintain accurate records, such as accidents and attendance, to be able to monitor children's welfare.
- The childminder demonstrates a suitable understanding of how to safeguard children in her care. She clearly explains how she will record and report her concerns. This includes in the event of allegations against herself or another household member. She understands possible local safeguarding risks and how to recognise and respond to wider safeguarding issues, such as potential extremism.

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	EY494062
Local authority	Essex
Inspection number	10301045
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	24 January 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2015. She lives in Basildon, Essex. The childminder operates Monday to Friday from 8am until 6pm, for most of the year.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Fiona Sapler

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 and the inspector discussed the childminder's understanding of delivering their early years provision, and their safeguarding knowledge.
- The childminder and inspector discussed how children will be cared for in a safe and suitable environment.
- The inspector viewed documentation to evidence the childminder's suitability as well as others who live in the home.

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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