

Childminder report

Inspection date:

20 December 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 knows how to identify the signs of abuse. She knows the signs to look for if a child is being exposed to extreme views. The childminder understands the local safeguarding partnership procedures and how to report safeguarding concerns. She understands the process to follow if an allegation is made about her, or a household member. The childminder has a valid first-aid certificate.
- The childminder keeps herself up to date with changes to legislation. She is a member of a support group for childminders. The childminder knows she can contact her local authority for advice should she need to. She has recently updated her safeguarding training.
- The childminder has a secure garden that children can access. She understands how to identify and minimise risks to ensure the environment is safe. The childminder plans to take children out to the park, aerodrome and local nature attractions. She understands the importance of providing opportunities for children to be physically active.
- The childminder knows how to promote children's independence. For example, she understands the importance of encouraging children to wash their hands before and after meals, and using the toilet independently.
- The childminder's dog is very much a part of her provision and provides an opportunity for children to learn about how to care for animals. The childminder understands the importance of informing parents about her dog, and sharing the risk assessments she has in place to ensure children's safety.
- The childminder demonstrates a good understanding of the learning and development requirements of the early years foundation stage. She knows how to monitor children's progress to help identify gaps in development. The childminder knows how to refer to other agencies where necessary, to help meet all children's needs.
- The childminder demonstrates she understands the importance of promoting positive behaviour. She knows that having some rules and boundaries in place helps children understand the expectations. For example, she understands the importance of helping children to learn to share the resources and to wait their turn.
- The childminder understands the importance of sharing information with parents about the progress their children make and how they can help their children's learning at home.

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	EY246181
Local authority	Surrey
Inspection number	10304929
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	6 to 13
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	0
Date of previous inspection	6 February 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2002 and lives in Oxted, Surrey. She operates Monday to Friday from 7.30am to 9am and then again from 3pm to 6pm, for most of the year. She has a recognised childcare qualification at level 3.

Information about this inspection

Inspector
Pippa Clark

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.
- The childminder showed the inspector the premises and discussed how they ensure they are safe and suitable.
- The childminder and the inspector discussed the childminder's understanding of the early years foundation stage curriculum.
- The childminder provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation on request.

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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