

Childminder report

Inspection date:

25 January 2024

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

**This
inspection**

Met

Previous
inspection

Good

Summary of key findings

This provision meets requirements

- The childminder intends to gather information from parents before children start to help support the transition into her home. She will offer families and their children gradual induction sessions to help her build relationships with them. The childminder will share information verbally at pick-up times and throughout the day using a secure online platform.
- The childminder understands child development and how children learn. She will use this knowledge and children's interests to plan meaningful experiences across all areas of the early years foundation stage. The childminder will suggest ways that families can support their children's learning at home through strategies and sharing activities to complete. Parents will be informed of local events that will complement the experiences children have with her.
- The childminder plans to take the children out into the community for different experiences. For example, she wants to promote children's imagination by using woodland areas to go on bug hunts and act out stories. She intends to use the park to develop children's physical strength as they climb on play equipment.
- The childminder intends to support children's communication and language. She will repeat words, introduce new vocabulary and ask children questions to help them develop their understanding and early language skills.
- Mathematics will be a key area of focus for the childminder, which she will integrate through her interactions with children. She plans to frequently count, use numbers and teach the children to weigh and measure using appropriate equipment, such as scales.
- The childminder knows how to support children's understanding of the world. She intends to plan activities to help children notice changes in their environment and will talk to them about the changes they see from previous visits. The childminder will use the outdoor space to grow fruits and vegetables with the children. She says children will learn how to care for the plants they grow.
- The childminder intends to support children's independence. She will support children to learn about good hygiene and manage their care needs. The childminder says she will help children persist when they find tasks difficult to build resilience and become independent.
- The childminder speaks clearly about how she intends to manage behaviour. She will praise behaviours that she expects of children. House rules will be displayed to remind children of the expectations. She intends to use positive language and model what she means, for example how to stroke her dogs safely.
- The childminder will risk assess the environment. She has suitable spaces, indoors and outdoors, for children to play. The childminder will support children to understand how to keep themselves safe. On outings, the childminder will encourage children to become 'road safe'.
- The childminder demonstrates a commitment to her professional development. She reflects on her practice and strives to improve. For example, she has plans to attend training on new funding arrangements to enable her to share this

information with families.

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	EY318895
Local authority	Nottinghamshire County Council
Inspection number	10305249
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 8
Total number of places	6
Number of children on roll	3
Date of previous inspection	15 February 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2005 and lives in Arnold, Nottingham. 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 provides funded early education for two-, three- and four-year-old children.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Alice Anders

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 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 intentions for children's learning.
- 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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