

Childminder report

Inspection date:

28 February 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 failed to notify Ofsted that she changed address and is no longer working at her registered premises. She did not inform Ofsted about the additional household members living at the premises of her co-childminder. This is a breach of requirements. An action was not raised during the inspection, as Ofsted is now aware of the changes and is working with the childminder to ensure that all required checks are in place.
- The childminder knows what to do if concerned about the welfare of a child in her care. She recognises the signs and symptoms to look out for and procedures to follow to maintain children's welfare. The childminder understands the importance of keeping her safeguarding practice up to date. For instance, she has recently completed child protection training.
- Outside play is important to the childminder. She talks about how she provides children with opportunities to practise their physical skills. She says she makes sure there is a range of activities in the garden to enable them to climb and run around. The childminder explains that she will take children on outings to teach them about the world around them.
- The childminder describes how she will plan an exciting curriculum that builds on children's prior learning. She is aware of how to ensure that children have activities that interest and engage them. The childminder knows how to adapt activities to meet the needs of children at different stages of development. She has procedures in place to monitor children's progress, and this enables her to plan for their next steps.
- The childminder understands the importance of building successful relationships with parents. She plans to send electronic messages and photographs and have face-to-face discussions. This will enable her to share key information with parents.
- The childminder has high behavioural expectations for the children. She explains how she will model sharing and taking turns and ensure that children have opportunities to socialise. For instance, she will take them to some group activities so that they can interact with other children.
- The childminder explains the importance of building secure bonds with children to promote their well-being. She understands why it is important to praise and encourage children to take on new challenges and give them the confidence to have a go and try something for themselves.
- The childminder explains how she will support children to develop their language and communication skills, such as through repetition, appropriate conversation, and singing songs. She states that this helps the children to hear words and build their vocabulary.

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	EY383725
Local authority	Surrey
Inspection number	10317349
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	30 May 2018

Information about this early years setting

The childminder registered in 2008. She operates from the home of her co-childminder in Epsom Downs, Surrey. The childminder holds a relevant early years qualification at level 3. She operates Monday to Thursday, from 7.30am to 5.30pm, for most of the year.

Information about this inspection

Inspector

Sara Garrity

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 provided the inspector with a sample of key documentation, including her paediatric first-aid certificate and insurance.
- The inspector discussed with the childminder how she intends to deliver the curriculum for children.

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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