

Name: Arline Mali

HCEY00013

Address: 53 Church Street, Normanton, Derby DE23 6QT

Inspection date **Date 20/07/2017**

Previous inspection Not applicable

The quality and standards of childminder's care and education	This inspection Previous inspection	Good Not applicable	Average points score
Organisation, welfare and personal development		Good	6
Curriculum, teaching and learning		Good	6
Professional standards and capacity to improve		Good	5
Early Years Foundation Stage requirements including safeguarding and child protection.	MET		

Summary of key findings

This childminder is good:

- Arline creates a warm and welcoming environment which makes sure children feel safe and secure.
- Arline has a good hygiene routine which children understand.
- Arline provides a vast range of opportunities to ensure the children continuously develop and deepen their existing knowledge.
- Arline has established positive relationships with other settings to ensure the children are provided with continuous care and support.
- Arline provides displays within her setting which are purposeful to help support and develop children's learning.
- Arline has established successful strategies to support and develop language, communication and understanding.
- Arline engages well with children during their play and co explores with the children, ensuring play can be guided, supported and developed.

The main areas for improvement are:

- Arline does not always use the knowledge she has of children's engagement with activities to plan opportunities to support children's individual learning styles/preferences.
- Although Arline plans activities to support children's learning, her role within these activities is unclear.

To improve further the childminder should:

- Use the knowledge she has around children's individual learning styles/preferences to plan activities which support their individual learning styles.
- Plan her role within activities to help support, encourage and develop children's learning.

About the Quality Appraisal Inspection visit

The Quality Appraisal Inspection visit was conducted by a Support, Advice and Mentor (SAM) from @Home Childcare Childminder Agency in line with A guide for childminder agencies⁽¹⁾. The SAM reviewed all aspects of the childminder's setting to ensure they were meeting the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage Statutory Framework⁽²⁾. The quality of the childminder's practice was graded using aspects of the Environment Rating Scales⁽³⁾. A maximum score of 7 is available in each area of practice.

The inspecting SAM: **Kay-Louise Ley**

As part of the visit the SAM completed a range of activities including:

- Observing the quality of teaching during activities and assessing the impact this has on children's learning
- Talking to the childminder's assistants
- Discussing the childminder's practice at appropriate times throughout the visit
- Reviewing the children's assessment records, observations and planning on Onefile
- Viewing the areas of the house used for childminding and reviewing a selection of policies
- Collecting the views of parents from surveys, the childminder's own questionnaires and any spoken to on the day
- Discussing the childminder's self-evaluation and plans for improvement

(1) *A guide for childminder agencies (July 2016) Department for Education*

(2) *Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage (April 2017) Department for Education*

(3) *Infant/Toddler Environment Rating Scale (Harms, Cryer and Clifford); Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale (Harms, Cryer and Clifford); ECERS –E (Curricular Extension) (Sylva, Siraj-Blatchford and Taggart); Assessing quality in early childhood education and care, Sustained Shared Thinking and Emotional Well-being Scale (Siraj, Kingston and Melhuish)*

Inspection findings

Organisation, welfare and personal development is good.

Arline creates a warm and welcoming environment which children can explore freely. Children are confident within the setting and will seek out Arline should they need any support. Arline has adapted her setting to ensure children with EAL have the opportunity to explore freely and confidently. Support is provided to ensure children have the opportunity to communicate with Arline and other children. Arrival and departure routines are successful which ensures families feel welcome and included into the setting.

Children can select their own resources which are easily accessible and have the option to explore the outdoors freely. Children are encouraged and supported with their hygiene routines which are securely established. Children clearly feel welcomed into the setting and have established caring relationships with Arline, who is on hand to provide support and nurturing care.

Curriculum, teaching and learning is good.

Arline is a natural teacher for children and they make good progress while they are in her care. Activities and experiences provided are appropriate for all children which expands and deepens their existing knowledge. Arline uses a good range of teaching strategies to ensure children are making appropriate links to their learning and development. She asks children appropriate questions, demonstrates activities and resources and provides children the opportunity to problem solve for themselves. Arline understands the age and stage of development for each child and is confident to identify any gaps to children's learning, which are quickly targeted to close any such gaps.

Positive relationships ensure children are confident in her care, ensuring children feel comfortable to share their thoughts and ideas. Arline has the ability to co-explore with the children which ensure they feel confident to involve her in their play and allows her to lead the children's play to make the most out of the activities she provides. Children want to attend the setting which is evident when observing the relationships that have been established. This is all a credit to Arline and her setting.

Professional standards and capacity to improve is good.

Arline has made good use of support from the agency, both in terms of her SAM and training opportunities. Advice to improve her practice has been considered and used to ensure children achieve the best possible outcomes. Arline has all the relevant policies and procedures. She also ensures parents have copies of all these policies making them aware of the ethos of the setting. Arline has a good level of understanding in relation to safeguarding and she is aware of her responsibility to keep children safe by reporting any such concerns to the appropriate authorities. Arline is eager to complete any future training which she believes will support and develop her own practice as well as having positive effects for the children in her setting.

Childminder's details

This childminder is registered with @Home Childcare Childminder Agency CA00017

Registration number HCEY00013

Local authority Derby

Registers EYR, CCR, VCR

The childminder was registered in 2016 and lives in Normanton, Derby. The childminder is open 5 days a week all year round.