

Local Offer: Childminders



Special Educational
Needs & Disability

1.	Your name and Ofsted number: ANGELA JAMES 155688
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3.	If you work with another childminder does anyone specialise in SEN and D? NO
4.	Provide a short paragraph about your ethos/mission statement for including children and young people with Special Educational Need and Disability (SEND). How do you aim to meet the unique needs of the child?
	Within my setting I offer spaces to all children no matter their background, learning educational needs and disabilities, as long as I can offer the best care for the child and the family. If I feel I cannot offer the best I will say on meeting the parent/career. If I feel I can offer the best care for the child's needs and they are more demanding I will work with the parent/career to make sure the support and needs are set out in a plan for the child.
5.	How do you identify that a child is not meeting appropriate age related milestones and what do you do in this case? How do you find out what matters to the child and their family?
	I do learning files for all the children covering all the areas of learning. I also do observations/learning assessments; this helps me to make sure they are covering all the areas that they need to be at with their age. This file goes home over half terms for the parents to read and work together if something isn't been covered so we can work together to get the child on aim. If there is a problem we both then are aware of this and will do a plan so the child can meet the milestones.
6.	How do you promote positive relationships and ensure good, ongoing communication with families? How will families know what progress their children are making, how to access additional support and what they can do at home to help?
	I do a daily book that goes home every day so the parent(s) can see what their child has done. I have a good relationship with all my parents and always find the time to talk to the parent(s) after each session. The contact between the parent(s) and myself are open all the time i.e phone calls/emails/texts/conversations no matter of the time or day. I always tell the parents they can let me know about their child and discuss any matters that I need to be aware of. The child's learning files goes home half terms for the parent to see their child's development over all the areas of learning.
7.	How will you communicate with other providers who care for a child, or with providers who will be caring for the child? How do you support children to experience a smooth transition to school or a different situation?
	If a child goes to different settings/ child care I do a book that goes between us both that gives them a guide on the areas we are working on or any concerns there may be. I always make sure I visit the setting or meet with the other minder etc and give them my details so they can contact me to discuss any issues of the child so we both make sure we are giving

the child the best support with their care.

I do a transition form that informs the school or different setting of the child's progress or any concerns I may have.

8. How do you provide an enabling environment for all the children in your care? Are there quiet areas and fully accessible spaces? What other adjustments can you make? What about the physical environment in and outside your setting?

I have a few different rooms within my setting so if a child feels he/she wants quiet time or outside area they can use these areas safely. I have a large outside area for the children to have a physical area to explore. We visit different areas i.e parks/soft pays, toddlers, farms, walks and other childminders.

9. There is an opportunity here for you to tell families what experience you have of working with children with additional needs.

I have worked in child care since 1995 working with a range of ages. I feel I have a warm caring approach with children and families'. I feel I can promote myself and my setting fully by meeting parents/children and showing them what I have to offer. I am a very easy person to talk to and will do my very best to offer all children a caring setting.