

Local Offer: Childminders



Special Educational
Needs & Disability

1. Your name and Ofsted number: Deborah Gilbert 132841
2. If you work with another childminder does anyone specialise in SEN and D? no
3. 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?
As a childminder I aim to meet all children's needs to enable them to reach their full potential, including children with Special Education Needs and Disability.
4. 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 carry out 12 weekly assessments on all children in my care. I then use these assessments to have open discussions with the children's families to devise a plan of next steps and goals.
5. 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?
On a daily basis I have open conversations with families about their child's daily activities and progress.
6. 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 the situation arose I would attend any multi-disciplinary meetings to ensure information was shared.
7. 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?
My house is of an open plan environment which allows children to move freely and enjoy the space. All toys and activities are stored correctly to enable them to be accessible for all children.

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

I don't currently have experience of working with children with special education needs and disability.