

## Join the Team

Childminding can seem a lonely career but by registering with the SCA we can help to ensure you have all the tools, knowledge and paperwork ready to set up your own business.

In addition to our regular training and administrative support, we offer networking opportunities with other childminders via monthly support meetings, enabling you to meet like minded childcare professionals and discuss topics that are important to your role. We also offer a 'parent matching' service, helping you to reach parents who are looking for your skills.

We provide regular newsletters and updates, a profile page on our website to advertise your childcare vacancies, plus signposting to other childcare support, tax credit information and relevant professionals. We offer accountancy & administration services (subject to additional costs).

Don't delay ring today, 01728 746970



## SCA covers the whole of East Anglia



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**We are an Ofsted regulated  
Childminder Agency**

Are you looking for a career that fits  
around you and your family?

Do you want to be able to develop  
professionally whilst maintaining  
a work/life balance?

Then setting up your own independent  
childminding business could be the  
answer!



We strongly believe that childminding is a  
cornerstone of early years  
childcare and a vital service to families.

The home-like education  
environment enables young children  
to develop mentally and physically in a  
reassuring and 'familiar' setting.

You could be that essential part of a  
young child's development.

## What We Do

Run by lead practitioners in Early Years childcare, the SCA has been launched to recruit, train and support independent childminders in East Anglia.

Our aim is to enable existing and new childcare professionals to develop their own childminding business whilst offering mandatory training, ongoing professional development, parent matching opportunities and business support.



We are regulated by Ofsted and our Quality Assurance Inspector of childminders operates the same grading system. You register with us and become an SCA childminder. We undertake all monitoring visits and Quality Assurance Inspections.

As an Agency we are regulated and inspected by Ofsted. Our registration number is: CMA000026

## Training & Support

You know you have a passion for childcare and you want the best support. That's where we can be your perfect partner.

Our team is on hand to support your first steps, whether you are just embarking on your childcare career or choosing your first agency.

Registering with SCA gives you a wealth of benefits:

- Start-up support and pre-registration training for new childminders
- Continuous Professional Development (CPD) (16 hours CPD/4hrs practice support) including regular mandatory training, some of which is included in your annual registration, other training offered at discounted prices
- Access to our web portal with a vast array of downloadable assets for your business
- Regular Quality Assurance visits
- Ongoing telephone and email support for all your childcare questions and queries
- Help with Early Years funding
- Automatically registered for Tax Free Childcare

In addition to the registration fee, we also charge a small monthly fee. These fees enable us to keep you updated with any changes in rules, regulations and to keep abreast of any information which we feel could be useful for your business.

All this allows you to focus on the most important thing -the children in your care.

### Why a childminder agency?

Why did the Government introduce Childminder Agencies? This is an excerpt taken from the Department of Education's Consultant Document:  
Childminder Agencies will be able to register childminders and provide them with training, business support, advice, and help to find parents seeking childcare... The Government wants to make more great childcare available for children, and to provide more choice and flexibility for parents... We are enabling the setting up of Childminder Agencies to encourage more people to take childminding, to offer greater support for the childminders, and to improve quality.

In 2017, the Government amended the Childcare Act 2006 to enable those who would otherwise be obliged to register with Ofsted, to register with a Childminder Agency instead.

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