



Hanborough Meadows Pre-School (previously Long Hanborough Playgroup est. 1984) provides a high standard of pre-school education for children aged between 2 and 5 years old. We help children to develop and thrive in our small, friendly and bespoke setting which was opened in April 2019. Our pre-school enjoys strong links with local schools to facilitate a smooth transition for your child into the Foundation Stage of primary school. We have a strong emphasis on outdoor learning and run our Forest Rangers sessions on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Hanborough Meadows Pre-School is committed to safeguarding and all staff and volunteers are vetted to ensure the welfare of the children.

Sessions run Monday to Friday during term time only (2 session minimum policy) Prices as of January 2021:

Full day: 8.30am-3.15pm £35

AM session: 8.30am-11.30am £20

Lunch Club: 11.30am-12.15pm £4

PM session: 12.15pm-3.15pm £20

We accept childcare vouchers and are also an approved setting for grant funding of eligible 2, 3 and 4 year olds.

What have we been up to?



Christmas now seems like a long time ago but since the December edition of the Herald, the children of Hanborough Meadows Pre-School had an amazing **Christmas party!** They played games, ate lots of delicious party food, sang Christmas songs and enjoyed a special visit from Father Christmas who flew on past our Pre-School window! He even dropped off some presents for all the children. In the last week of term before Christmas, the children also helped to make and decorate a life-sized gingerbread house (sadly not made from gingerbread) and had an amazing time playing together in it.

We would like to thank everyone who made such kind donations and gave support for our **Christmas Raffle**. We managed to raise just under £300! At a time when we cannot hold fundraising events, this makes a massive difference to us and helps us fund our running costs, buy valuable educational resources and provide quality training for our staff. *We would especially like to thank our neighbours, the residents of Vanburgh Meadows (the Cala Homes estate) who donated some really lovely gifts to the raffle, which was so kind and generous.*

Following the Christmas holiday and during this 3rd lockdown, our Pre-School remains open and has welcomed back many children, whilst understandably some families have decided to stay at home. We would again like to offer **thanks to our wonderful team of staff!** They go above and beyond everyday to make what is a very challenging situation as 'normal' as they can for the children by offering fun, care and reassurance. They help to keep the children safe by maintaining the highest standards of hygiene and give the children appropriate information to help their understanding of what is going



on. Staff have set up a learning area to open up discussion with the children about why people are wearing masks for example.



Upcoming Events and Activities

This term, our topic is ‘Global Explorers’ where we will be looking at different areas of The World. This is a very exciting topic with lots of great learning opportunities for the children. We have started with looking at The Arctic. So far, the children have enjoyed doing experiments with ice and looking at the animals you might find in the Arctic, their habitats and what they might eat.

Joining Hanborough Meadows Pre-School: ☆ Waiting list for September 2021 ☆

All of our sessions from September 2020 are now full. Places are available from September 2021. To join our waiting list please contact our manager Kelly ASAP by emailing hanboroughmeadowsmanager@gmail.com. We are now offering pre-arranged, socially distanced visits to the setting ‘after hours’. You can also take a **virtual tour** on our Facebook Page or **website** www.hanboroughmeadowspreschool.co.uk. Here you can also view our **prospectus** and to find out more about what we do.

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Fundraising is a key source of our funding. If you are able to make a donation, however small, we would be so grateful. You can either visit the ‘Get Involved’ page on our website www.hanboroughmeadowspreschool.co.uk or the GoFundMe link at <https://gf.me/u/x5h526>.