



## LONG HANBOROUGH PLAYGROUP

**Registered Charity 289849**

Long Hanborough Playgroup provides a high standard of pre-school education for children aged 2 to 5 years old. Playgroup is a pre-school with its own purpose-built facility with a separate outside play area within the Manor Primary School grounds. This enables us to have strong links with them and provides our children with an easy transition into the Foundation Stage at school. Playgroup can take children for full or partial day care from 8.45am until 3pm during term time.

Firstly, **a big welcome to welcome** all our new starters who have joined us this term. We hope you all have a fun at Playgroup and enjoy making lots of new friends.

We continue our topic on **homes** this term and the children have enjoyed learning about Long Hanborough. We have been on **walks round the village** looking at all the different houses, churches, shops and buildings. The children also wrote letters that we then posted. We made maps of our village and talked about **road safety**.



one!

### **Forest School**

On Tuesday mornings, we get wrapped up and head out for our popular Forest School session. During February, we read our favourite story, '**We're Going on a Bear Hunt**'. The children made a giant den for the bear to live in and we then went on our very own bear hunt where we walked through the trees and walked through the stream to try and find

### **Starting School Sessions**

Our starting school sessions are for all children but especially our older children who will be starting school in the summer. This month we have been looking at **letter sounds** and the **initial sounds** of familiar words. We have been playing **lots of games** to support this and the children have had lots of fun with sounds and **rhyming** them with other words.

### **Visits and Outings**



We all joined in the celebration of **Chinese New Year**. The children danced to the Chinese drum with the colourful **dancing dragons** they made. We were very lucky to have Hung come in to Playgroup, who helped us cook Chinese **noodles** and then showed us how to use chopsticks to eat them with. Thank you Hung for giving up your time to do this. The

children really enjoyed learning about the different customs.

### **Fundraising and Forthcoming Events**

**Playgroup Cake Sale** - Friday 24th Feb

**Children's Easter Hunt** – Tuesday 4th April

**Easter Holidays** – Monday 10th-22nd April

**Inset day** - Monday 24th April

### **Joining Playgroup**

**We do currently have some spaces available this term. If you are interested in your child coming to join us, please get in touch for a prospectus or to arrange a visit on 07818 553127.**