

**Spring 2025,  
a new preschool will open its doors  
in Minato ward.**



**Pikkas**

**Hello! We are Pikkas International Preschool.  
Thank you for having an interest in our leaflet!**

Although it is said that the social problem in Japan of families being waitlisted for daycares is heading for resolution, in today's Japan, getting accepted to a daycare itself has become the goal of many families, and the freedom to choose the type of early childhood education and care for their children is often an afterthought. The reality is, even after the family is accepted to a daycare, they continue to attend with their hearts heavy with burden and worries. As a working parent myself, I feel that I am constantly facing various obstacles every day. Pikkas aims to be an international preschool that takes this

reality a step forward. Our goal is based on a very simple concept; It is to provide a safe environment not only for the children, but also for the families and the childcare providers to spend time together comfortably, to learn and grow together, and to experience the joy of learning English, which ultimately leads to loving English. Based on our hands-on experience in various early childhood education around the world, we have prepared programs that enable children to have an inquisitive mind and learn vividly every day. Please look forward to our future development.

Pikkas international preschool / Founder & Representative, Sachiko Nakagawa

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**The happiness of children, parents and childcare providers is key. We foster and grow inquisitive minds at Pikkas International Preschool.**

At Pikkas, we place importance on creating a safe environment for the children to spend a pleasant time at preschool, and to reduce the burden on families, while respecting the different lifestyles of each family.

Pikkas strives to provide peace of mind not only to the children, but also to the parents and the childcare providers. We believe that the "The happiness of all of us (三方よし)" childcare promotes healthy growth and development of children.

Dear Caregivers,

As we respect your daily activities at home and at work, participation in the operations of our preschool will not be mandatory. Moreover, our original lunch menus, which take into account nutrition that tend to lack, and our durable uniforms, which is made from gentle organic cotton, will alleviate the work of preparing meals and getting ready in the morning every day. In addition, we aim to function as a place of learning and enjoying the local community through our workshops and events.

Dear Childcare Providers,

Because we spend as much time with children at our workplace as we do with our family members, we understand the need for a well-organized environment. We would like to invite you to work in childcare by utilizing technology, with peace of mind and while learning new things every day. If you are interested in providing international childcare using English, please contact us.



PROFILE

After working at a private kindergarten in Osaka Prefecture, Sachiko moved to Australia and worked as a childcare provider and Japanese language teacher, where she cultivated a deep interest in education for children. After returning to Japan, Sachiko worked in overseas sales at an export specialized trading company, spreading Japan's products to the world. Later, Sachiko moved to Germany and was involved in childcare for infants at the Adlerian International School and the NGO German International Peace Village, where she witnessed the children's lively eyes while she interacted with diverse

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**Grow healthily, like a big tree. Quality education is born from quality soil.**

In order to grow healthy plants, it is important to prepare the soil first. Good soil is moderately compact, has good drainage but also retains water, and has excellent breathability. We believe the same can be said when nurturing the mind of young children.

The first step is for the children to acquire basic lifestyle habits by building trust-based relationships with childcare providers and friends, by experiencing that preschool is a fun and safe place, and by placing value on outdoor play suitable for exploration. Only then will the soil be prepared for physical development and language acquisition. At Pikkas, we want everyone to live their daily lives, cherishing this philosophy.

Great oaks from little acorns grow.

This is an old English proverb. Acorns are a symbol of hope and possibility, as they grow into big and beautiful oak trees. The Pikkas logo is a shape of an acorn in hopes that our children will grow up to be healthy and happy. The seven colorful motifs within the acorn represents diversity.



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**Our top priority is "learning is fun"! An English environment, which puts emphasis on improving thinking skills.**

The knowledge of language and culture, as well as various motor skills are the basic skills that are important for living in our society. At Pikkas, based on original programs that incorporate various overseas early childcare education philosophies, we cultivate our children's creativity, planning, and motor skills in an environment that develops independent thinking skills.

It is said that it takes more than 3,000 hours to learn the English language. At Pikkas, only English will be used during childcare hours. Because early childhood has the highest language acquisition ability, the children are introduced to a natural English environment, and when the children's range of interests expands, we naturally guide them to activities, such as reading and writing imbedded in play, according to each child's interests.

children from all over the world.

After returning to Japan, while working in recruitment mainly for foreign companies in Japan, Sachiko felt the importance of early childhood education and its effect on a diverse workforce that is able to think independently and to adapt to globalization and the changing workforce. In order to provide children in Japan with diverse educational opportunities, Sachiko decided to open Pikkas international preschool. Sachiko is also a mother of a three-year-old daughter.

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