

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Charlie Bear – hello/goodbye song and taking home
Self-care routines
Independence within the environment
Recognise own name
Small group activities
Turn taking games
Circle games
How do we keep warm in winter?
Talk about our emotions and feelings

Expressive Arts and Design

Role play - home corner, dressing up, hot chocolate café, igloo, Chinese restaurant, pancake making station
3D modelling
Cutting snowflakes
Heart collage for Valentines cards
Penguin crafts
Scottish flags
Ice painting
What patterns can we see in snowflakes?

Sensory

Snow, rice, oats, foam, gloop, sand, cloud dough, ice, flour
Winter wonderland playdough

Songs

Here we go round the mulberry bush
Twinkle Twinkle Little Star
Do you want to build a snowman?
Musical instruments

Cooking

Mini egg muffins

Communication and Language/Literacy Reading

Winnie In Winter
Owl Babies
We're Going On A Bear Hunt
One Snowy Night
The Gruffalo

Writing

Mark making – foam, chalks, water painting, mud painting, white boards, sand, glitter
Tracing name cards

Speaking

Letters and Sounds
Phonics games

Key Vocabulary

Arctic, Antarctic, cold, snow, ice, weather, white, freeze, melt, hibernation, iceberg, winter, frost

Winter Wonderland

Mathematics

Colour recognition and sorting
Sizes big/little
Introducing secondary colours
Puzzles
Days of the week sequence song
Matching number to quantity
Recognising numerals 1-5
Using mathematical language – more, less, under

Ideas to try at home

What sounds can you hear in the environment when you are out walking?
Can you put on your own shoes and coats?

Physical Development

Gross Motor

Cars/Bikes/Scooters
Balancing on beams and crates
Arctic animal movement cards
Clay – rolling and manipulating
Lycra

Fine Motor

Giant Lego
Igloo building
Music to movement
Mark making
Scissor practice
Snowflake threading
Tweezers and pom pom activity

Understanding of the World

The world

Rescuing frozen animals in ice
Identifying birds
Colour mixing ice cubes
Salt and ice science experiment
Small world – arctic and Antarctic animals
Forest School
Care for vegetable patch
Going on a winter walk – using our senses to investigate
Make bird feeders

Technology

Interactive whiteboard

Religious /Special days

23rd-25th Jan RSPB's big school bird watch
25th Jan Burns Night
14th Feb Valentines Day
17th Feb Random acts of kindness day
17th Feb Lunar New Year
17th Shrove Tuesday
17th Start of Ramadan