

WEATHER (Winter) Home Learning Grid

LITERACY

Our Nursery is very close to the Water of Leith and I love to walk and bird spot, maybe if you go on a walk you could take a pencil and paper and try to see how many different birds you can spot or hear. Just try getting your adult to help you write 1,2,3 or 4, maybe you will spot over 5 birds and even take a picture. Draw your favourite bird when you get home and post it for your teachers to see, this would make us all very happy.

Ten little lights

Here is a lovely, wintry story, '10 Little Lights' for you to listen to with lots of winter animals for you to spot! You can also practice your numbers to 10.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q4yjbsBIJ-0>

Visit the story library

NUMERACY/ MATHS

Wintry walk shapes and sizes

When you are out for a wintry walk, can you collect some sticks, leaves and stones and make a square and a triangle shape from your sticks? Maybe you could make a circle shape from your stones? Can you count out 5 leaves and 10 stones? And then put them in order of size from smallest to biggest.



HEALTH & WELL BEING/SOCIAL STUDIES

Pedro the Penguin cosmic yoga

Keep yourselves warm, fit and healthy with this fun yoga session.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jSZvMHLw9vs>

Don't forget if you have extra bouncy energy have fun with Joe Wicks (Mon, Wed, Fri @ 9am) and if you are feeling very very energetic try dancing along with: Clucky McFeathers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B0LjBCbfZBs>

In the wintertime it's very important for us to make sure our bodies are warm to keep us safe and healthy. Here is a lovely Auntie Mabel story about Woolly jumpers
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=41jx0Ljy23A>

EXPRESSIVE ARTS

Make cardboard penguins



For these you will need cardboard tube, black paint, glue, orange and black card, cotton wool, and googly eyes. Paint the cardboard tube black, while these are drying cut some feet and wing shapes with the black card and a beak out of the orange card. Once the paint has dried you can glue these on along with the googly eyes and cotton wool (for the penguin's tummy).

Snowflake wax painting

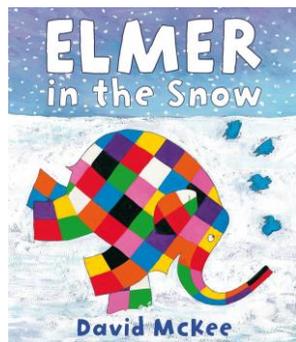
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<https://www.rhymingmultisensorystories.com>

For a free fully resourced step by step multisensory poem called **The Weather** with extension activities.

Percy the Park keeper is a popular character in our story books at nursery. Here is the story of One Snowy Night read by Nick Butterworth

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K-8AAisU1w0>



You can listen to Elmer in the snow by following the link below.

<https://youtu.be/iiK6PFxYR08>

SCIENCE

Rainbow Rain

Rainbow rain is a great experiment you will need:

Shaving foam

Pipets

Coloured water (food colouring)

Jug of water

Put the shaving foam on top of a jug of water then put pipet coloured water on top of shaving foam and watch the magic happen.

It's interesting to talk about the clouds in the sky and how when they get heavy, they release rain, but not usually "rainbow rain"



[Have you ever made a birdfeeder?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M-k7mhYb0-w)

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Baking

Make snowmen biscuits. You could make your own biscuits or buy some, decorate with runny white icing sugar, and use different pieces of fruit to decorate (e.g raisins for eyes, strawberry for hat)

Snowman and penguin banana treats



<http://www.kidscookclub.com/recipe/banana-snowmen-penguins/>



For this activity you will need-

- A piece of white paper or card
- A white wax crayon
- Liquid watercolour paint
- A thick paint brush
- Salt (optional)

Draw your snowflakes or wintry picture onto your white paper with your white crayon. (remember to press hard with your crayon for the best effect) Then paint over your drawing with the watercolour paint to see your wintry picture come to life! You can sprinkle some salt on the picture whilst the paint is still wet and after a few moments the salt and paint will combine to form a beautiful effect to finish off your picture!

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Writing in the Snow

Sprinkle some flour out on a table or flat surface and practice writing your name and alphabet in the 'snow'.



Seasons



Make your own snow!



<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/how-make-fake-snow>

How to make a simple water cycle experiment

<https://taminglittlemonsters.com/water-cycle-science-activity/>

Snowstorm in a jar!



<https://onelittleproject.com/snowstorm-in-a-jar/>

A Winter's Walk

You could go for a short walk in the local street or park and look at the winter trees, views, landscapes etc. Take photographs of the different scenes. Once you get back home you could choose your favourite picture and draw the picture and upload it to your learning journal.

Animals that hibernate in winter



Learn all about which animals hibernate in winter and why they do it!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1KIDrDOy9hg>

<https://www.messylittlemonster.com/2019/11/wax-crayon-resist-art.html>

Winter Robin handprint painting and drawing



This is a fun art activity which uses only-

- blue or white paper
- Red and brown paint
- Orange card or you could colour in your beak with pens or crayons
- Cotton wool, white paint or crayons
- A black pen

You may need an adults help with this fun and creative picture.

Firstly, paint your tree branch onto your paper, you could

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Did you know there are 4 different seasons? We like to talk about this at nursery. This season is called Winter. Can you describe what kind of clothes you wear in Winter and what food you eat? Can you draw a picture of the food and the clothes you wear? There is a little quiz you can try on this link about the changing Seasons : <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkvv4wx/articles/zcx3gk7>
What is your favourite Season and why?

also use cut up bits of brown paper or even try using a real stick and some glue! Once this is dry get an adult to help you paint half of the palm of your hand red and the rest of it along with your fingers brown. Carefully place your hand onto the paper like the picture above. Remember to press hard and keep it still! Once this is dry you can finish off your robin, giving him some eyes (googly eyes if you have any) his beak and his legs. Finish off your picture with some cotton wool snowflakes or use your fingers to paint little white snowflakes falling from the sky.

Here is another Robin activity using only pens, scissors, and your hand!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=787zw_y6jVk

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