



Topic: Animals in cold places

Literacy

We will be able to find our name from a larger selection of names.

We will be writing the first letter of our name with correct formation, followed by some recognisable letter shapes for the rest of our name.

In literacy we will be reading the core text - I Can Fly and Bear snores on.

Mathematics

Small steps:

- Explore positional language including in and on.
- We will copy fingers to show 1,2 and 3
- Make actions and moving fingers when saying counting words as well as counting out up to 3 objects.
- We will also, with support, notice the numerals (number symbols) 1, 2, 3 in play and in the environment around us.

Phonics

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Foundational Phonics: We will be listening and remembering different sounds as well as talking about the sounds we hear in the environment.

<u>Environmental sounds:</u> Develop listening skills and awareness of sounds in the environments.

<u>Instrumental sounds</u>: Experience and develop awareness of sounds made with instruments and noise makers.

<u>Body percussion:</u> To talk about the sounds we make with our bodies and what the sounds mean

How to help at home

We will continue to take a library book home on Thursdays to share with our grownups - please remember book bags on this day.

Please share a story with your child each day.

Talk to your child in your daily routine about the shapes of everyday objects.

Sing familiar number rhymes and practice your finger counting.

When reading with your child encourage them to look at the illustrations and spot representations of 1,2 and 3.

Handwriting

We will be marking using our 'beery shapes' indoors and outdoors in a variety of mediums.

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Expressive Arts and Design

We will be exploring winter colours making our own representations of various winter animals.

In music we will continue to explore the sound of different instruments.

We will be role playing familiar experiences in our home corner.

Personal, Social, Emotional Development

We continuing to focus on how we can manage ourselves with simple routines of the day and growing more independent when using the toilet.

We are becoming familiar with our school rules and routines and making sure we are Ready, Respectful and Safe. We will be discussing our school values of perseverance, teamwork, friendship and respect.

This half term we will be thinking about:

- Staying motivated
- Never giving up
- Setting a goal
- Obstacles and support
- Occupations
- What It means to be proud

Understanding the World

As scientists and geographers we will be exploring the polar climate and the animals that live there. We will be noticing how the seasons change to winter.

We will be looking closely at the celebration of the 'Lunar New Year' and comparing it to our other celebrations in our lives.

2025 is the year of the Wood Snake and we will be learning about snakes. We encourage you to get crafty and try making your own snake using different techniques.

Home learning:

- Notice and talk about signs of winter.
- Find out and research about your favourite polar animal and make a mask to share at Nursery.

How to help at home

Polar animal craft ideas:

Polar bear masks and toilet roll penguins

Please upload any home learning so we can share with your friends at nursery. It is wonderful to see what you are exploring at home.