

## Communication and Language

Listen carefully to winter themed stories, non-fiction and poems and respond with relevant comments and questions,

Learn and use new vocabulary about winter and polar regions

Role play- One Snowy Night, The Gruffalo's child, Arctic explorer station

Small world- One Snowy Night, The Gruffalo's child, Jack Frost, Arctic and Antarctic animals

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Why do we need to wear warm clothes in winter?

Taking turns to express ideas and thoughts- ice experiments

Team work- ice experiments

## Physical Development

Scissor skills- clever cutting progression, snowflakes

Use different writing and drawing tools in winter themed activities

Dance and move to winter themed music

## Literacy

Key texts: One Snowy Night, Jack Frost, The gruffalo's child

Non- Fiction-Polar regions, Arctic/Antarctic animals, Arctic explorers, winter poems.

Use vocabulary and forms of speech influenced by their use of books

Use phonics knowledge to say sounds in words and blend together to read- winter activities.

Orally construct a sentence and begin to write down with support

# Wonderful Winter

## Mathematics

Use the winter theme to

- Counting to 10 and linking the number symbol
- Subitise to 5
- Begin to recall number bonds 0-5
- Confidently count orally to 20
- Compare length, weight, height
- Shape patterns

## Understanding the World

Seasonal changes-UK, winter walk

Locate Polar regions- Arctic, Antarctic. Find out about People and animals who live there.

Famous Person- past and present. Explorers- Matthew Henson,

Ice experiments- freezing and melting

Chinese New Year

## Expressive Arts and Design

Make ice ornaments

Charcoal tree drawings

Winter scene- collage, paints

Listen to winter themed music

Use instruments to make winter inspired sounds

Move and dance to winter themed music

## Characteristics of Effective Teaching and Learning

Playing and exploring- investigate and experience things and 'have a go'

Active learning-concentrate, keep trying and enjoy achievements

Creating and thinking critically- developing own ideas, making links and developing strategies.