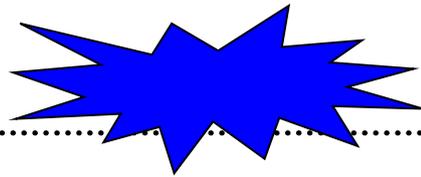


# January Parent's Information

Our theme for January is: **Winter**



Our colour is **blue**



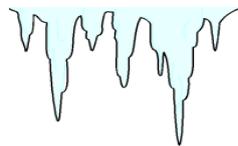
## ***Vocabulary linked to our theme.***

We will be looking at and talking about the weather in winter; water freezing and ice & snow melting. We will be talking about polar animals and people who live and survive in cold countries.

Please talk about these with your child:-



**Penguin**



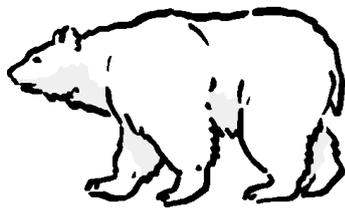
**Snow**



**Ice**



**Frost**



**Polar Bear**



**Seal**



**Igloo**

## January songs / rhymes:-

### Little Jackie Jack Frost

Little Jackie Jack Frost bites my nose  
 Little Jackie Jack Frost stings my toes  
 Little Jackie Jack Frost climbs the trees  
 Little Jackie Jack Frost paints the leaves  
 Little Jackie Jack Frost thinks it's fun  
 Knocking all the leaves down 1 by 1  
 When the winter wind begins to blow  
 Little Jackie runs away ho ho!

### Once there was a snowman

Once there was a snowman, snowman,  
 snowman  
 Once there was a snowman tall, tall, tall  
  
 In the sun he melted, melted, melted  
 In the sun he melted, small, small, small

### Funny Snowman

There was a funny snowman  
 Who had a carrot nose  
 Along came a bunny  
 And what do you suppose?  
 That hungry little bunny  
 Looking for its lunch  
 Ate the snowman's carrot nose  
 Nibble nibble CRUNCH CRUNCH

### The Penguin Song

Have you ever seen a penguin come to tea  
 When you look at me, a penguin you will see  
 Penguins attention! Penguins salute!  
 Right flipper (Flap right arm) 1234  
 Repeat and add on left flipper, then right  
 foot, left foot, bottom out, chin up, stick  
 out your tongue, turn in a circle.  
 Then finish with 'penguins dismissed'  
 instead of salute

### Little Snowflake

Snowflake, snowflake, little snowflake  
 Little snowflake falling from the sky.  
 Snowflake, snowflake, little snowflake  
 Falling, falling, falling, falling, falling,  
 falling, falling, falling, falling, falling on  
my head.

Snowflake, snowflake, little snowflake  
 Little snowflake falling from the sky.  
 Snowflake, snowflake, little snowflake  
 Falling, falling, falling, falling, falling,  
 falling, falling, falling, falling, falling on  
my nose

Snowflake..... in my hand, falling on  
 my head, falling on my nose, falling in  
 my hand  
 Snowflake, snowflake, little snowflake.

### Miss Polly had a dolly

Miss Polly had a dolly who was sick, sick,  
 sick.  
 So she phoned for the doctor to come  
 quick, quick, quick.  
 The doctor came with his bag and his hat  
 And he knocked at the door with a rat-a-  
 tat-tat.  
 He looked at the dolly and he shook his  
 head  
 And he said "Miss Polly, put her straight  
 to bed!"  
 He wrote on a paper for a pill, pill, pill  
 "I'll be back in the morning for my bill,  
 bill, bill."

## **How you can help your child at home:-**

### **Personal, Social & Emotional development**

Encourage your child to zip or button up their own coat. Also encourage them to put on their own mittens or better still their own gloves!  
Remind your child to cover their mouth when coughing and to put used tissues into the bin.

### **Language Development**

Use winter weather words to describe the weather while walking to / from school each day. Talk about ice being a solid and then melting to become a liquid.

### **Early Mathematical Experiences**

Draw attention to, match, recognize or name the different shades of blue or the square shapes in our everyday environment. Compare the size of birds or snowmen and understand or use the words – big, small; tall, short.

### **The Arts**

Sing some of our Winter songs with your child and encourage them to show you the actions.

### **Physical Development & Movement**

Make small and large frozen ice blocks and put some small toys into the water before it freezes. Have fun together ‘digging’ the toys out from the frozen blocks before they melt. Use a real hammer or chisel!

### **The World Around Us**

Watch out for birds and talk about how we can help them in the Winter time. Put out some bread / seeds and water for the birds and then watch quietly from indoors for any little visitors.