

Time to Talk

Use these questions to talk about Winter at home.

- What is the weather today?
- What should we wear outside today?
- Can you describe how it feels?
- What can you see?
- What colours can you see?
- What has happened to the leaves on the trees?
- What are your favourite things to do in winter?
- How could we help the birds during winter?

Wow Words

Cold, winter, Arctic, Antarctic, polar, penguin, polar bear, arctic fox, snowy owl, arctic hare, planet, weather, hibernation, explorer, sledging, skiing, snow, ice, frost, icicle, freezing, snowflake, igloo, North pole, South pole, hat, gloves, scarf, mittens, coat, snow boots.



For the first few weeks, we will be learning all about the season of Winter. Take a look at the 'Time to Talk' section and 'Winter Knowledge' to find out more!

We will have daily phonics lessons in groups. Our new groups will be starting next week.

In Maths, we will be practising our counting, ordering and comparing skills with numbers to 10.

We will continue to have our weekly Music lesson and we are very excited to be starting our weekly PE lessons (see Notices for info!).

We will also learn more about our Ashleigh Guiding Stars; confidence, empathy, teamwork, safety, responsibility, perseverance.

Our PATHS learning continues; learning about different feelings and how our feelings affect our behaviour.

Spring 1: Winter

Winter Knowledge – What will we learn?

Seasons: There are 4 seasons each year; Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter. We will learn all about Winter, what happens to the environment around us and how we can look after ourselves and animals during these chilly months!

Exploration: What is ice made from and what happens to ice when it gets warm? How can you make ice? What is special about a snowflake?

Habitats: Where do penguins live? Where do polar bears live? What is it like in the Arctic and Antarctic? What are the similarities and differences compared to our own environment?

Weather: What is the weather like in winter?

Our World: Look at maps and globes to find cold countries, North Pole and South Pole. Where are the coldest parts of our planet and why are they so cold?

Hibernation: What do some animals do during the winter and why?

Notices

PE

Squirrels MONDAY Hedgehogs TUESDAY

Please come to school in your PE kit for the whole day. During these chilly months, a jumper and tracksuit or legging style trousers would be beneficial. Trainers please.

Friday: Library – please return your library book each week so that you can choose a new one!

Water bottles: Water only please!



Stories

One Snowy Night – Nick Butterworth

Snow Bears – Martin Waddell

Poles Apart – Jeanne Willis

The Great Explorer – Chris Judge

Oh No! Shark in the Snow! – Nick Sharratt

The Gruffalo's Child – Julia Donaldson