

January 23 - 25

Theme: Animals

Prayer: God watches over us all the day.

At home, at school & at our play,
And when the sun has left the sky,

He watches us with a million eyes!
Amen



Bible Verse: "Be kind one to another." Ephesians 4:32

Dates to remember: January 16 - school closed Martin Luther King day
January 26,27,30 - school closed teacher work day
January 31, 6:30pm- Kindergarten information night

Science: I will demonstrate "yucky mist" by filling a spray bottle with water colored with green food coloring. I will then pretend to sneeze while spraying the mist onto a Kleenex. We will then discuss how sneezing spreads germs and the correct way of sneezing and coughing into your bent elbow. We will discuss the concepts of freezing and melting and then explore the concepts by placing ice-cubes around the classroom to discover where they melt the fastest, in the sun, in the shade, etc. The children will match baby animals to adult animals and match animals to their correct habitat. We will discuss hibernation.

Art: The class will create a "use a tissue please" picture by coloring a face on a paper plate and then adding their hand, which they will trace and cut out, holding a tissue. The children will create a scene of bears hibernating.

Math: The class will match numbers to dots for numbers 1-20 using snowman learning cards. The children will complete a color by number snowman picture.

Language Arts: The class will match upper-case letters to lower-case letters using animal ABC cards and will hang the matches on a clothesline using clothespins.

Dramatic Play: The children will pretend to give dolls and stuffed animals a bath, washing the germs away.

Computer: The class will be playing, "Magic School Bus Animals".

Listening Center: The class will listen to "Animal Homes" by Scott Foresman.

A few of the books we will enjoy this week are:

"The Sick Day" by: Patricia MacLachlan.

"Bear Feels Sick" by: Karma Wilson and Jane Chapman

"Sadie and the Snowman" by: Allen Morgan

"Just a Snowman" by: Mercer Mayer

Songs and Poems:

Snowflakes Falling- sung to "Up on the housetop"

Snowflakes are falling on the ground

On our houses and in our town

On my nose and in my hair

Snowflakes are falling everywhere.

Oh, oh, oh, out we go

Oh, oh, oh, in the snow

Making snowmen

Sliding too,

There are lots of things to do.

Five Little Snowmen- sung to "Five Little Pumpkins"

Five little snowmen on a winter's day

The first one said, "Wake up, so we can play!"

The second one said, "Let's stomp on the ground."

The third one said, "Let's roll around."

The fourth one said, "Let's run and run and run."

The fifth one said, "I'm afraid I feel the sun."

"Oh dear," cried the snowmen, as they looked toward the sky.

And the five melting snowmen waved a fond goodbye.

I'm a little Snowman- sung to "I'm a little tea pot"

I'm a little snowman short and fat.
Here is my scarf and here is my hat.
When the snow is falling come and play.
Build a snowman every day.

Snowy Pokey

You put your right mitten in, You take your right mitten out,
You put your right mitten in and You shake it all about.
You do the snowy pokey and you turn yourself around,
That's what it's all about.

Additional verses:

Left mitten

Scarf

Boot

Hat

Addresses - We are beginning to have the children recognize their addresses, including house number and street name. Please continue to reinforce this at home.

Names - The children are doing a wonderful job writing their names. We are working on having the children write their names the "kindergarten" way which is the first letter upper-case followed by all lower-case letters. Thank you for continuing to reinforce this at home.

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