

Topic Overview

Why does snow melt? Why do icicles hang down?
Explore these questions and more in this project about winter.

Lines of enquiry might be:

- cold weather
- snow and ice
- melting and freezing
- seasonal changes.

Communication and language	Listening and attention; Understanding; Speaking
Physical development	Moving and handling; Health and Self-care
Personal, social and emotional development	Self-confidence and self-awareness; Making relationships
Literacy	Reading; Writing
Mathematics	Numbers; Shape, space and measures
Understanding the world	People and communities; The world; Technology
Expressive arts and design	Exploring and using media and materials; Being imaginative

EYFS - Spring Term



Our learning will include:

Communication and Language

We will focus on learning to speak and listen with groups of friends, We will continue being 'Talk Partners' where we take turns to speak, give eye contact and listen to another person's ideas. We will spend short periods of time talking about different aspects of our theme. We will also share our weekly 'Talk Homework'.

Physical Development

The 'Learning and Life Skills' topic this term is entitled 'It's Up to Me'. We will start by promoting the children's ability to take responsibility for their self-care, health and well being. We will be asking for your support with this. PE this term is 'Creativity'. We will be exploring music, movement and dance.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will learn our Golden Rules and be helped to follow these throughout the day. We will use the behaviour chart to praise each other when we follow these golden rules. We will take part in worship with the rest of our school community as well as within the classroom.

Literacy

We will be basing our initial learning on a book called 'Lost and Found'. Please don't read this book to the children as the story will be revealed in episodes to them – with surprises along the way. We will be continuing with phonics each day – and encouraging F2 children a lot with their blending and segmenting skills.

Mathematics

As well as our daily maths sessions we will be counting the birds in our garden, sorting animals into hot and cold climates, sorting clothes into those you would wear in Winter and Summer and ordering lengths of twigs and scarves.

Understanding the World

We will be learning about ice and snow and Winter. From this we will look at cold places and then contrast these with hot places – using children's experiences as well as following Miss Jack on her travels!

Expressive Arts and Design

We will continue to use our creative area independently. In this area we can use all of the media and materials that are in this area to create our own imaginative pieces of art! We will also draw and paint portraits, including using programs on the computer. We will use the junk modelling resources to make 3D structures of our homes and favourite places. Our role-play areas will include one familiar to our lives and one more imaginative. We will start with an ice cave and palace!