



## Team N Spring Term 2 - Polar Regions

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*This half term we will be learning about the polar regions. Our key texts will include:*

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- *Isaac and Iris*
  - *The Runaway Iceberg*
  - *Little snowflake*
  - *The Emperors Egg*
  - *Lost and Found*
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*1 - Water Area*

In our water area we will be exploring texture. We will be making blue jelly together and then using this for role play in our water tray. We will be using what we have learnt from different story books to help us act out a role play using small world penguins and polar bears. We will be aiming to use our words of the week spontaneously in our play.



*2 - Construction and Small World.*

In our construction area we will be encouraging children to build a vehicle which would be suitable for use in the snow. We will be looking at lots of different pictures of different types of vehicles, and discussing which vehicles we think would be appropriate to use in the snow and why we think this. We will then use these pictures as inspiration for our own creations.

In music we will continue to sing lots of number songs to five. We will practice the actions to different songs and learn to synchronise the actions with our singing. We will also be listening to different types of music and making different movements depending on this. We will discuss if the music is fast or slow, loud or quiet.



*3 - Workshop*

In our workshop we will be designing and making our own igloos! We will have a choice of what we can make these out of, we might use marshmallows, we might use sugar cubes or just junk modelling. We will be taking photos of the children with their creations and then be encouraging them to take part in a show and tell to tell their friends all about their creations.



4 - Reading Area

We will be encouraging children to look at books both independently and with an adult. We will be asking children what their favourite book is and why. We will be asking children if they can tell us what they can see in the pictures and if they can turn the pages themselves.



5 - Writing Area

We have lots of different activities planned for our writing area, depending on what our focus book of the week is. These will include talking about what makes each of us unique, making our own snowflakes and describing what makes us happy and sad.



*6 - Painting Area*

In our painting area we will be focussing on mixing our own shades of blue and painting icy pictures with these. We will predict what will happen when we add white paint to dark blue paint. We will try and describe the colours using the phrases light blue/dark blue, and try and order them from lightest to darkest.



*7 - Playdough Area*

In our playdough area we will be practising our fine motor and snipping skills. We will be using our finger muscles to roll long sausages out of the playdough and then using scissors to safely snip the sausages. We will also be making our own special snow dough, we will choose what colour we want our dough to be and also what we will be adding to our snow dough.



*8 - Maths Area*

our maths activities will be changing weekly but they will all focus around us starting to use the language of more and less. we will be selecting which group of objects have more/less and making our own groups. we will also be taking part in lots of activities to help us develop our positional language.



*9 - Home corner*

Our home corner is going to turn into an icy cave. In here we will be using masks to pretend to be polar bears and penguins. We will be trying to include some of our words of the week in our play.