


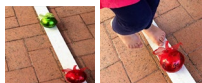




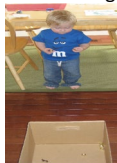

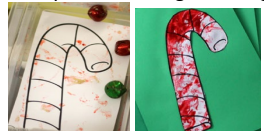


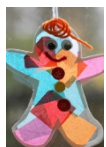




# Winter Thematic Units

Unit Theme: Tis The Season
   
 Age Group: Toddler

	Literacy Activity	STEM Activity	Arts Activity	Outdoor Activity
<b>M O N D A Y</b>	<b>Activity:</b> The Little Blue Trucks Christmas By Alice Schertle <a href="https://youtu.be/MOea0jAN1yc">https://youtu.be/MOea0jAN1yc</a>  The Dancing Christmas Tree Song <a href="https://youtu.be/rlr4uXAz-JM">https://youtu.be/rlr4uXAz-JM</a>	<b>Activity:</b> Build a photo Christmas Tree   Laminate tree and photos, use Velcro	<b>Activity:</b> Christmas Tree Waffle Cones <a href="https://pagingfunmums.com/2014/12/08/christmas-tree-waffle-cones/">https://pagingfunmums.com/2014/12/08/christmas-tree-waffle-cones/</a> 	<b>Activity:</b> Stepping over the bells...careful, don't bump them! 
<b>T U E S D A Y</b>	<b>Activity:</b> Llama Llama Jingle Bells By Anna Dewdney <a href="https://youtu.be/yXzaNeMHq-0">https://youtu.be/yXzaNeMHq-0</a>  Jingle Bells <a href="https://youtu.be/v7s2VjwQSMw">https://youtu.be/v7s2VjwQSMw</a>	<b>Activity:</b> Jumbo Jingle Bells   Use Large Jingle Bells for sorting	<b>Activity:</b> Jingle Bell Instrument   Use Paint Sticks (free @ Lowes), Use 1 Large Jingle Bell for Toddlers	<b>Activity:</b> Toss the Jingle Bell 
<b>W E D N E S D A Y</b>	<b>Activity:</b> How to Catch an Elf By Adam Wallace  Reindeer Pokey <a href="https://youtu.be/E48dJsivx7s">https://youtu.be/E48dJsivx7s</a>	<b>Activity:</b> Santa's Wrapping Station <a href="https://childhood101.com/christmas-kids-activity-ideas/">https://childhood101.com/christmas-kids-activity-ideas/</a> 	<b>Activity:</b> Candy Cane Painting With Jingle Bells  *See Template in Resource Folder	<b>Activity:</b> Don't Ring The Bells Obstacle Course: Try getting through the hoop without ringing the bells! For older children, make a rule that they can't touch the hoop or hang the hoop higher to make it more challenging. 
<b>T H U R S D A Y</b>	<b>Activity:</b> Gingerbread Friends By Jan Brett <a href="https://youtu.be/LRim91Z7eDk">https://youtu.be/LRim91Z7eDk</a>  5 Gingerbread Men <a href="https://youtu.be/wCZ3dzFK6Bl">https://youtu.be/wCZ3dzFK6Bl</a>	<b>Activity:</b> Christmas Card Making Station <a href="https://childhood101.com/our-play-space-christmas-card-making-station/">https://childhood101.com/our-play-space-christmas-card-making-station/</a> 	<b>Gingerbread Ornament</b> What you will need: *White paper plates or white card stock *Sticky Contact Paper *Variety of tissue paper squares *Buttons *Googly eyes *Various color yarn *Double-sided clear tape 	<b>Activity:</b> Don't knock those bells with your bottom! For a fun variation, have the bar higher and try mobing under it limbo style. 

<b>F R I D A Y</b>	<p>Activity:          Mouse's First Snow          By Lauren Thompson  <a href="https://youtu.be/2iwTxp6M2q8">https://youtu.be/2iwTxp6M2q8</a></p>	<p>Activity:          Winter Sensory</p> 	<p>Activity:          Snowflake Ornaments  <a href="https://teaching2and3yearolds.com/simple-snowflake-ornaments-for-kids/">https://teaching2and3yearolds.com/simple-snowflake-ornaments-for-kids/</a></p> 	<p>Activity:          Snowflakes: Winter Action Song  <a href="https://youtu.be/GQoJCpGoL2o">https://youtu.be/GQoJCpGoL2o</a></p>
	<p>I'm A Little Snowman  <a href="https://youtu.be/FczqntFwb6k">https://youtu.be/FczqntFwb6k</a></p>	<p>*See below Homemade Snow Recipe          *Use large jingle bells for sensory box</p>		

# Homemade Snow Recipe

## Ingredients

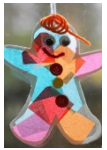
- 5 cups of baking soda
- 1 cup of hair conditioner

## Instructions

1. In a large bowl pour 5 cups of baking soda followed by
2. Add one cup of hair conditioner.
3. As an option, you can add a few drops of Your favorite essential oil to make it a therapeutic experience.
4. mix well using your hands until the conditioner is evenly distributed (you can't go wrong!)
5. that's it! Go play

## Gingerbread Ornament:

What you will need:



\*White paper plates or white card stock

\*Sticky Contact Paper

\*Variety of tissue paper squares

\*Buttons

\*Googly eyes

\*Various color yarn

\*Double-sided clear tape

\*See below for instructions

## Preparing the gingerbread suncatcher ornament:

Use some sort of gingerbread template to trace on the paper. (I used one of our [large gingerbread cookie cutters](#). You could also use this [free printable template](#) or [this larger one](#).)

Cut the shape from the center, so that you have negative space. (I used an X-acto knife.)

Cut the contact paper so that it covers the negative gingerbread space.

Place it sticky side down on one side of the paper.

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Press the tissue paper squares on top of the sticky side of the contact paper.



### **Shaping the ornaments into gingerbread shapes:**

After tissue paper squares are stuck on the paper, cut another piece of contact paper to cover the open side. Now both sticky sides are touching each other, so the tissue paper is secure. Cut around the gingerbread shape so that you leave white trim around the entire shape.

Punch a hole near the top of the gingerbread ornament.