

## Snow

Our Mission: It is our mission to promote learning through play by offering children opportunities to interact with real people and have hands-on interactions with real things.

### Let's Create ...

- 1. Use watercolor paints to paint a picture in the snow with your family.
- 2. Spread snow on a tray or cardboard box and use old, dry markers to color the snow.
- 3. Find a spray bottle and fill with water and add a couple drops of food coloring. Spray paint your snowman or other snow sculptures.



PAINTING ON SNOW





## Let's Play ...

- Snow sensory bin indoors. Bring the snow inside and have kids play with their toys in the snow. Grab a container and fill with snow and let the fun begin!
- Make a snowman with your child. Decorate your snowman and let your child name him or her.
- Have a snowball throwing contest and measure whose snowball went longer or shorter.
- Gather up Mr. Potato head pieces and make a snow potato head in the snow.



#### What Do The Experts Say?

Snow play requires creativity, scientific observation and negotiation skills. Think of the creativity fostered as children build snow creatures and use various objects to decorate them. They learn the complexities of problem solving as they try to mold the snow into different designs. Adventurous types learn about construction and the properties of physics as they try to build jumps for sledding or walls for snow forts. – Dana Gorman

## Let's Explore ...

- 1.Gather up several containers and fill them each with snow. Bring the containers inside and place them in various locations around your home – in a cupboard, in the freezer, in the refrigerator, near a sunny window, and under a light bulb. Have your child guess which snow will melt first. Set a timer for every 10 minutes and check the results.
- 2. Fill a small bottle with snow and draw a face on the bottle to make a snowman. Have your child draw a picture of their snowman. Then place the bottle near a sunny window for about 30 minutes and have your child draw another picture of their snowman. Discuss with your child the differences and what caused the snowman to melt.

# Let's Sing ...

I'm a Little Snowman Tune: I'm a Little Teapot

I'm a little snowman short and fat. Here are my buttons, here is my hat. When the sun comes out, I can't play. I just slowly melt away!



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