

# **JANUARY THEMATIC UNIT: WINTER**

## Main concepts during this month:

- Explore fun seasonal activities that relate to winter
- Learn about various winter animals
- Learn about the many animals that live on a farm
- Learn about different pets and how to care for them.
- Identify healthy foods and non-healthy foods.

### **Learning Objectives We Will Be Observing**

#### Scientific Thinking and Problem Solving

- Identifies the uses of the five senses
- Names and knows mayor body parts.

#### **Personal and Social Development**

- Shows interest in problem solving.
- Approaches tasks with flexibility.

#### **Creativity & The Arts**

- Expresses ideas for creative interpretation

#### **BOOKS WE WILL BE READING**

Winter La Sopa

¿Qué hay para cenar? Tiempo salvaje I'm Getting a Checkup El cuerpo

Quiero mi plátano Cuidemos a nuestro perrito nuevo La oruga muy ambrienta Apples and Orannges:going bananas

Llévame a casa, osito polar with pairs
Abuelita fue al Mercado Los gatitos
Mi primer pez Los cachorros
Vegetal como eres: alimentos con sentimientos

# **Learning Objectives We Will Be Reviewing**

#### Math & Logical Thinking

Locates objects using positional and directional words.

#### Scientific Thinking & Problem Solving

Identifies characteristics of objects and occurrences.

# Language and Communication Development Identifies at least 10 printed letters.

Understands that books are handled in a certain way.

#### **Creativity and the Arts**

Draws pictures with 5-6 varying details, some of the time.

#### **Fine Motor Skills**

Reproduces some recognizable shapes, letters and numbers.

#### **Personal & Social Development**

Begins to understand various family roles, jobs, and rules

Recognizes differences of those from diverse backgrounds.

#### THIS MONTH ...

January 17 - No school. Staff in service.

January 19 - Take Care of your Pets - presented by volunteer parent Dara Berry, VS.

January 24-28 Health Week – Every day this week, the children will be cooking their own healthy snacks.

This Month .... Featuring: Caring for Pets Week, Jan 17 –21. Parent volunteer, Dara Berrry, DVM, will do a presentation on how to take care of pets on Wednesday, January 19 at 9:30 a.m. If your child is not scheduled to be here on that day, you are welcome to come in with your child and enjoy the presentation. Mrs. Berry will teach the children how to take care of their pets so they can enjoy a long and healthy life. The Early Preschool, Preschool and PreK classes will also take a field trip to PETCO. The last week of the month is Health and Nutrition Week. Every day this week, the children will be "cooking" their own healthy snacks and learning about good and healthy eating habits. Parent volunteer, Kristy Ruiz, RN will have presentation about healthy eating choices, and the importance of resting for ones health.