Dear Caregivers:

Today we used some of these books, fingerplays, and other materials in our storytime. Please continue helping your child develop by sharing these at home!

**BOOKS TO SHARE**

- *Froggy Gets Dressed* by Jonathan London
- *Harold Loves His Woolly Hat* by Vern Kousky
- *Little Penguins* by Cynthia Rylant
- *Snow* by Cynthia Rylant
- *A Perfect Day* by Carin Berger
- *Lost. Found.* by Marsha D. Arnold
- *Under My Hood I Have a Hat* by Karla Kuskin
- *The Mitten* by Jan Brett
- *A Hat For Mrs. Goldman* by Michelle Edwards
- *Penguin In Love* by Salina Yoon
- *A Hat for Minerva Louise* by Janet Morgan Stoeke
- *The Jacket I Wear In The Snow* by Shirley Neitzel

**LETTER OF THE DAY**

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**ASL SIGN OF THE DAY**

"Cold"

**FUN WITH FINGERPLAYS AND SONGS**

- *Winter Hokey Pokey*
  [Tune: "The Hokey Pokey"]
  You put your right mitten in, you take your right mitten out, you put your right mitten in and you shake it all about. You do the winter pokey and you turn yourself around. That's what it's all about!

  [Verses: left mitten; right/left boot; hat, snowsuit, scarf, etc.]

- *Now You're Getting Dressed*
  [Tune: "Mary Had a Little Lamb"]
  First put on your underwear, underwear, underwear.
  First put on your underwear, Now you're getting dressed.

  [Verses: stick your arms up in your sweater; pull your pants up to your waist; wiggle your toes down in your socks; slip your boots on and tie them tight]

Now you can go out and play, out and play, out and play.
Now you can go out and play, In the winter weather.
Three Little Kittens [English nursery rhyme]

The three little kittens they lost their mittens,
And they began to cry,
Oh, mother dear, we sadly fear
Our mittens we have lost
What? Lost your mittens, you naughty kittens!
Then you shall have no pie.
Mee-ow, mee-ow, mee-ow.
We shall have no pie.
Our mittens we have lost.

The three little kittens they found their mittens,
And they began to smile,
Oh, mother dear, see here, see here,
Our mittens we have found!
What? Found your mittens, you good little kittens,
And you shall have some pie.
Mee-ow, mee-ow, mee-ow.
We shall have some pie.

One, Two, Buckle My Shoe [English nursery rhyme]

One, two, buckle my shoe
Three, four, shut the door
Five, six, pick up sticks
Seven, eight, lay them straight
Nine, ten, that's the end!

Boots and Parka, Scarf and Hat [action rhyme]
[Tune: "Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes"]

[Touch each part of the body as you name the articles of clothing]

Boots and parka, scarf and hat, scarf and hat,
Boots and parka, scar and hat, scarf and hat
In wintertime we dress like that,
Boots and parka, scarf and hat, scarf and hat!

More Fun!

Note: It can be tempting, when making a craft or working on an art project to do the craft yourself instead of allowing your child to try, struggle, (and sometimes fail) to make the craft 'correctly.'

However, it is the PROCESS, not the PRODUCT that is most important part of making something with a child. Have fun and don't worry about perfection!

Winter Hat Craft

Supplies:
Cardstock/white construction paper
Cotton balls
Glue
Scissors
Crayons/coloring pencils/markers

Help your child trace and cut a half circle shape out of the cardstock or construction paper.

Have your child decorate their 'hat' in any way they wish: they can use a single color, multiple favorite colors, or create a design (stripes, polka dots, etc.)!

Glue cotton balls to the top of the hat to make a pom-pom and the bottom to make a warm and cozy brim!

Talking about clothing with your child is a great opportunity to introduce a discussion of patterns, which is an early math concept. Do any of your child's winter weather clothes have designs that repeat themselves in a pattern? Start pointing out patterns you notice on clothing throughout your day (example: "Did you see how that scarf has a striped pattern? First a yellow stripe, then a red one, then a yellow again!").