January 6 - 10, 2025

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Mon 6	Tue 7	Wed 8	Thu 9	Fri 10
Polar Animals Inspired by Winter Time	Polar Animals Inspired by Winter Time	Polar Animals Inspired by Winter Time	Polar Animals Inspired by Winter Time	Polar Animals Inspired by Winter Time
Room Changes				
Room Changes for Winter Sports Theme	Room Changes for Winter Sports Theme	Room Changes for Winter Sports Theme	Room Changes for Winter Sports Theme	Room Changes for Winter Sports Theme
Dramatic Play- Ski, Snow Shoes, Snow Clothes				
Blocks- Monster Trucks, Polar Animals				
Art- Refill Supplies, Monthly Changes meeting color				
Listening Center- Penguin Stories				
Science- Change out Books and Theme				
Manipulatives- Change out				
Toys and Games- Change out				
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The children will be invited to learn about generating different solutions to problems and learn how to do something else.

Homework-Stegosaurus 3

Vignettes- None

Puppet- Wally

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No Dinosaur School on this Day!

We do not have dinosaur school on this day. Free Play

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Have your toddler or preschooler start at one point.

The children will be invited to sled if there is snow.

When you say go, they run to the other end of the course, choose one item, and put it on.

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Free Choice Math Game

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#### Questions:

- 1. How many letters do you know on this page?
- 2. Can you come up with a word for each letter?
- 3. Are any of these letters found in your name?

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Group 2- Will need peer assistance and modeling to complete this activity

Group 3- Can do this activity independently and can choose to help the children in Group 2 if the children need help.

## Small Group

Math- Patterns with Penguins

The children will be invited to place the penguins in patterns. We will work on ABA, AABB, and ABBA patterns.

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- 2. What does the illustrator do in a book?
- 3. Does anyone know the setting of this story?
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#### Custom

Pagosa Springs Winter Local Culture

The children will be invited to learn about the Winter Pagosa Springs Local Culture by saying hello, singing simple songs and counting to ten. They will find Pagosa Springs Local locations and look at and discuss pictures of Pagosa Springs. Help your child find Pagosa Springs on a city map/globe, and discover what to do if you were to take a vacation to Pagosa Springs. The children can draw pictures of where they would like to visit. They will learn about the artists, designers and builders of Pagosa Springs (current and past), recreating one of the their designs. We will talk about winter sports and activities we do in Pagosa Springs, such as skiing, sledding, ice fishing, tubing, ice skating and snowboarding.

#### Music and Movement

Music and Movement- Winter Songs for January and February

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(Hand on heart)
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(Point to ear)
And it sounds very smart
(Point to head)
I love it when you're proud of me
(Stand very tall)
You say it all day long
(Stretch arms wide)
And when I hear you say it
(Point to ear)
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I mailed one to Grandma – Then there was one

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I mailed it to Grandpa – and now there is none

#### Valentine Fingerplay

Let's count valentines

One, two, three

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All for me!

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