

Theme: Winter Fun

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Hello StrongStart families,

Today's email is put together by Ms. Cindy (from Cook).

Brrrr....winter's here! Before we go play outside, we need to dress ourselves warmly. Here's a song to sing while getting ready to go outside and it goes to the tune of "Wheels on the Bus":

*The mittens on my hands they keep me warm,
Keep me warm, keep me warm.
The mittens on my hands they keep me warm,
All winter long!*

Repeat with *boots on my feet; scarf on my neck; coat on my body and toque on my head.*



Now that we are all dressed for the cold, let's go outside and have some fun! If there is snow on the ground, how about we make some snow angels?



If the snow has not yet come, let's go for a walk and do a winter scavenger hunt. Before leaving, brainstorm together a list of things you think you can find. With older kids, you may want to

incorporate numbers and letters (e.g., house numbers, street signs). With younger kids, you can look for colours or animals. Here are a few suggestions:

- snowpeople
- icicles
- stop signs
- someone shovelling snow
- a dog
- shoe/boot prints



After your walk, let's come back in and warm up. We will be making a mitten craft today!

Materials:

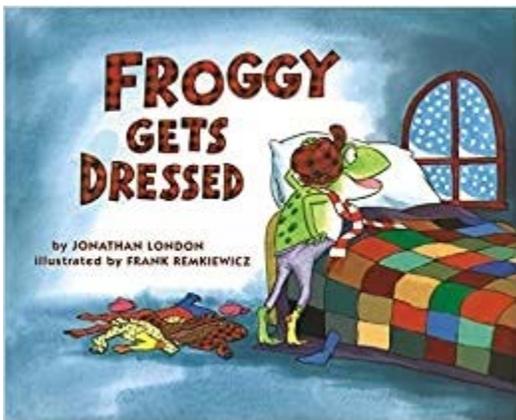
- print out or draw the attached mitten template
- markers and crayons
- scissors
- a string or yarn
- decorative supplies like stickers, tissue paper, ribbons, cotton balls, etc

Instructions:

- Cut out the mitten template.
- Decorate the mittens.
- Attach the mitten together with a string or yarn
- Hang up by the window for all to see! Make it a family activity by having each member make their own pair 😊



Now, let's settle down with a story called "Froggy Gets Dressed" by Jonathan London - <https://youtu.be/fie6iU-WTwE>



To finish this email, let's join Ms. Cindy for a circle time where she sings a song about making a snowman and reads "The Mitten" by Jan Brett - https://youtu.be/UGapKDo_6Ls

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