

Mother Bear calls Alfie inside to go to sleep during the long winter. Alfie asks how he will know when spring has arrived. His Mother tells him that he will see the signs of spring, such as flowers and butterflies and birds. Alfie keeps waking up, thinking that spring has arrived. However, once spring really does arrive, Alfie is so tired from all his restlessness, that he promptly falls asleep!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xail_e9iScQ8



Literacy

When Mother Bear went outside, she could only see freshly fallen snow. Talk about the differences between old snow and new snow.

Alfie thought that the bat was a butterfly and the icicles were birds' tails. What have you seen that you thought looked like something else?

Can you name other seasons and say what other things you may see?

Can you list what else melts if it is left in the sun?

Expressive Arts & Design

Alfie could hear the sounds of winter. Use an empty bottle to see if you can produce the sounds of the wind whistling.

Can you create a picture of the hunters' fire that Alfie mistook for the sun? What colours do you need?

Please take photos of children exploring and playing and upload onto 'Evidence Me' so we can see all the wonderful experiences the children are having at home (ie. Making their art pictures, going for a walk & finding different signs that it is winter, shape hunting, different types of footsteps).

Early Years

Spring Term Week 4

Home Learning
Activities



Maths

Activity 1: The Icicles that Alfie saw hanging from the trees were triangular shaped. What other things can you find that are shaped like triangles?

Activity 2: Can you create a picture of a bear using different shapes. What would you need? Triangles for the pointy nails, triangle shaped nose. What about the eyes shape and head shape?

Activity 3: As you read the story, mark on a piece of paper each time that Alfie wakes up. Can you count how many times he wakes up?

More Ideas...

Mother Bear stomped through the doorway. Can you take large, heavy steps around the room?

Alfie can hardly wait for spring to arrive. When do you feel impatient for things to happen quickly?

Can you create a picture of your favourite season? Is it spring, summer, winter or autumn?