



## Encounter Craft – 25<sup>th</sup> November This week – Wintry Inspiration!

Have fun creating winter-inspired art works  
and decorations

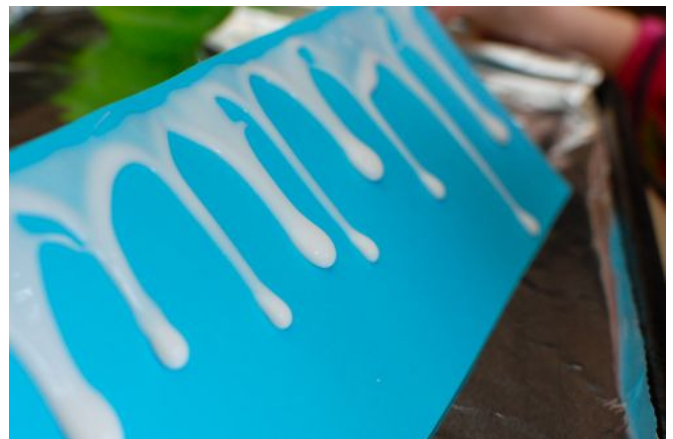
### Stone Snowflakes

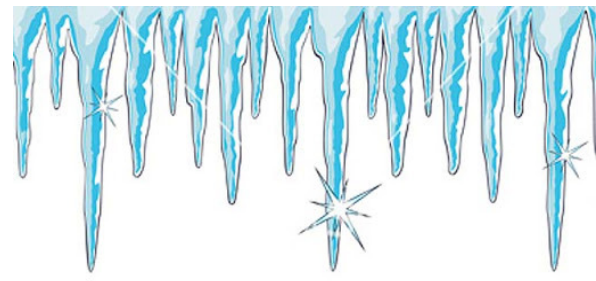


Collect some smooth, rounded pebbles and wash and dry them thoroughly. Then choose icy colours – white, blue, silver or even green! Using a very fine brush, copy snowflake patterns onto the stones. There are some templates with these sheets, or you could design your own! When they are completely dry, coat them in craft varnish to seal on the design. A matte finish would look best with these, rather than shiny. They would look great with several of them grouped together on a windowsill.

Take a long piece of card and run thick lines of PVA glue along the top. Then tip it up so that the glue can run down it, creating lovely icicle drips. Before the glue dries, sprinkle it with biodegradable glitter and then carefully shake off the excess. You could leave your icicles as they are, or cut them out to use as a trim along the inside of a window!

### Icicle Trim





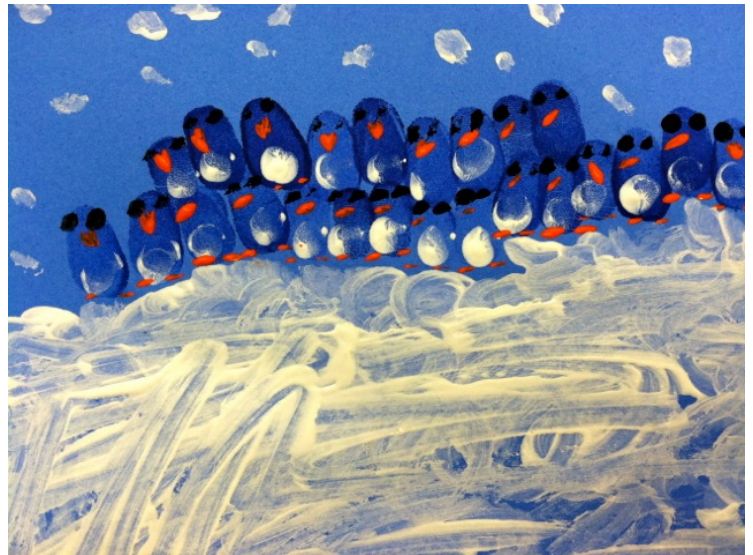
## Pinecone Pom-Poms



These are so simple but very pretty and make lovely Christmas tree decorations! Take some pinecones and clean them if necessary. You then stick pom-poms, which you can get from craft shops, onto each “petal” of the pinecone, using a hot glue gun or PVA glue. Attach a length of string or ribbon to the bottom of the pinecone and make it into a loop. It can then be hung up. So sweet!

## Thumbprint Penguins

These cute penguins would make a lovely design for Christmas cards. The body is a dark blue paint thumbprint. When dry, add white paint fingerprints for the tummy and paint in orange feet and beaks and little black eyes. They look especially good all piled up together! Use mid-blue backing paper and add snow in any way you fancy – you could even use more fingerprints!



**HAVE FUN!!**

