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National Day Nurseries Association

# Factsheet



## The Weather

Wales

# The Weather – Y Tywydd

Introduce the topic of the weather with children through a fun lotto card game or circle time activity.

This activity will support children to co-operate and take turns, match pictures, practice memory skills and be introduced to new Welsh words /geiriau Cymraeg.

## Learning outcomes

Develop language skills

Introducing new skills

Taking turns, co-operating

Object recognition

Memory

## Amcanion dysgu

Datblygu sgiliau iaith

Cyflwyno sgiliau newydd

Cymeryd tro a cydweithredu

Adnabod gwrthrych

Cof

## Resources - Adnoddau

- Practitioners can use existing weather flash cards or make their own e.g. cut out and laminate pictures of the weather symbols you would like to use, for example, sunshine, rain, snow, wind etc.
- Practitioners will need a lotto board to match the flashcards/symbols used.

### Activity outline - Amlinell Gweithgaredd

- Familiarise the children with the pictures initially by looking at them together
- Talk about the pictures and introduce the children to new words if necessary, see word bank below
- Show the children how to match the pictures on the board, starting with just one then introducing the others
- Once ready to start, each child chooses a board
- Spread out all the picture cards face down on a table or hard surface
- Each child takes it in turn to turn over a picture card. If a player turns over a picture that matches their board, they get to keep it and place it on their board
- Each time a child turns over a word, be sure to model the language for each picture. As the child picks up the words, reduce the modelling/prompts
- Any card that does not match once turned over, goes face down again
- Other children should watch carefully and try to memorise the position of any cards turned over which match their board, so they can try and find them when it is their turn
- The winner is the first to cover all the pictures on his or her board, however you may want to carry on playing so the other children can finish their boards
- Refer to the wordbank and useful phrases below for suggested Welsh language vocabulary to ask the children questions.

### Extended activity

- Use the flashcards to play snap or matching pairs
- Use the additional useful vocabulary to talk about the weather with children at circle time
- A natural topic for discussion when talking about the weather would be what clothes we need to wear.

## Wordbank and useful vocabulary

The weather

Warm

Hot

Sunny

Cloudy

Windy

Raining

Dry

Cold

Stormy

Freezing

Snowing

Hail stoning

Lightning

Thunder

Wellies

## Geirfa ac ymadroddion defnyddiol

Y Tywydd

Cynnes

Poeth

Heulog

Cymylog

Gwyntog

Bwrw glaw

Sych

Oer

Stormus

Rhewi

Bwrw eira

Bwrw cenllysg

Mellt

Taranau

Esgidiau Glaw neu welis

## Additional useful vocabulary

When we speak about the weather “Yn Gymraeg” we use the feminine version of “it is” - mae hi. However, many people don’t say the word “hi” when speaking – just Mae’n ..

It’s....

Mae’n...

How’s the weather today?

Sut mae’r tywydd heddiw?

It is warm	Mae'n gynnes* (*= soft mutation see below)
It is hot	Mae'n boeth* (*=soft mutation see below)
It is cloudy	Mae'n gymylog (*=soft mutation see below)
It is windy	Mae'n wyntog (*=soft mutation see below)
Can you....	Fedri di/fedrwch chi* ( *plural more than one person or as a sign of respect to someone)
Can you show me...	Fedri di ddangos/fedrwch chi ddangos i mi
How you can put on your coat...	Sut fedri di rhoid côt ymlaen...
Put on your gloves ....	Rhoi menyg ymlaen
What do we need today?	Be da ni angen heddiw?
Coat	Côt
Hat	Het
Gloves	Menyg
Scarf	Sgarf
Suncream	Eli haul
Sunglasses	sbectol haul

- Please note where there is an \* this indicates a soft mutation e.g the word **warm/cynnes** mutates to **gynnes** – Mae'n gynnes heddiw/ it is warm today.

## Further support

Rainy day activities <http://bit.ly/rainy-day-activities-wales>

Sut mae'r tywydd Tedi Twt? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FIH9-DWKj2Q&t=15s>

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