

## Month: December Week: 2 Subject: Student Wellbeing

Day 1	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Reindeer Adventures Number: 18 Letter: Nn Color: White Shape: Square	SW1.1 Demonstrate self-awareness and confidence SW4.1 Demonstrate relationship skills
Indicators		
	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May relax or smile when the caregiver models soft touches and uses the words "gentle hands."	May copy gentle touches on a stuffed animal or caregiver's arm when reminded, and pause when hearing "gentle."

### Activity: "Gentle Hands Routine"

Hold or sit near each baby with a soft stuffed animal between you. Stroke the animal slowly and say, "Gentle hands," then guide the infant's hand to do the same. For older babies, briefly let them touch the caregiver's arm or another safe surface using gentle fingers, praising their soft touch. Repeat this routine daily so the words "gentle hands" become familiar and calming.

Resources/Materials	Key Vocabulary:	Support:
<ul> <li>Soft stuffed animal</li> </ul>	gentle, soft, touch	
(reindeer or other)		





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Day 2	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Reindeer Adventures Number: 18 Letter: Nn Color: White Shape: Square	SW1.1 Demonstrate self-awareness and confidence SW2.1 Demonstrate self-control
Indicators		
	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May settle, quiet, or make soft sounds while being cuddled and sung to.	May snuggle in, rest head on caregiver, and begin to calm body movements during the song.

### Activity: "Cozy Cuddle & Song"

During a naturally quiet time, hold each infant in your arms or on your lap with a small blanket around them. Sing a simple, repetitive lullaby or hum softly, rocking gently back and forth. Name what is happening—"Cozy, warm, we are resting"—and allow babies time to relax into your rhythm. Use the same song regularly so infants start to associate it with comfort and calm.

Soft baby blankets   cozy, calm, rest   Support:	Resources/Materials  • Soft baby blankets	Key Vocabulary: cozy, calm, rest	Support:
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## Month: December Week: 2 Subject: Student Wellbeing

Day 3	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Reindeer Adventures Number: 18 Letter: Nn Color: White Shape: Square	SW1.2 Demonstrate identification and expression of emotions SW4.1 Demonstrate relationship skills
Indicators		
indicators	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May look from one feeling face to another and react with changes in expression or body movement.	May smile at happy faces, show concern at sad faces, or attempt to imitate simple expressions.

#### Activity: "Feeling Faces for Babies"

Show infants two or three large, simple photos or drawings of faces showing happy, sad, and calm emotions. Hold one face at a time near your own and label it: "Happy face," "Sad face," while briefly matching the expression. Watch how the baby responds and mirror their expression back, saying, "You look happy," or "You look curious." Keep the interaction playful and short, returning to the happy or calm face to end the activity.

Resources/Materials  • Large laminated feeling face cards (happy, sad, calm)	Key Vocabulary: happy, sad, face	Support:
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Day 4	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
	Theme: Reindeer Adventures Number: 18 Letter: Nn Color: White Shape: Square	SW1.2 Demonstrate identification and expression of emotions SW2.1 Demonstrate self-control
Indicators		
	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May relax their body, slow movements, or rest head on caregiver while feeling the breathing rhythm.	May watch the caregiver's chest rise and fall, quiet their body, and begin to match the slow rhythm with their own breathing patterns.

#### Activity: "Calm Breathing with Caregiver"

Hold the baby close against your chest, either seated or standing, and gently place a hand on their back. Take slow, deep breaths, exaggerating the rise and fall so they can feel your body move. Add a soft hum or simple word like "in...out" to mark each breath. Do this for a short time when babies are mildly fussy or after active play, helping them experience how bodies can slow down and feel calm.

Resources/Materials  None required	Key Vocabulary: calm, breathe, slow	Support:





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Day 5	Topic(s)	Foundation(s)
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Indicators		
	Younger Infants	Older Infants
	May watch the caregiver's face and voice during the goodbye routine and begin to expect what will happen.	May wave, vocalize, or smile during the ritual and show understanding that the caregiver will come back.

#### Activity: "Consistent Goodbye Ritual"

Create a short, predictable goodbye routine for transitions when caregivers step away or at pick-up time. For example, hold the infant's hand, wave it gently, and say the same phrase each time: "Bye-bye, see you later," followed by a soft touch or hug. Encourage families to join the ritual at drop-off and pick-up so infants hear the same words and see the same gestures. Over time this consistent pattern helps babies feel secure and builds trust in the people around them.

Resources/Materials  None required	Key Vocabulary: bye-bye, later, hug	Support:
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