



# Festive OCTIVITIES!



Craft ideas

What an opportunity we have at Christmas to Make "Christmas" Lunch and spread fun and joy to children and families in our communities.

Here's a few ideas for some festive activities to get your creative juices flowing as you begin to think about your Christmas Make Lunch sessions!

### Paper snowmen

- Cut a white piece of A4 paper horizontally down the middle
- Fold one piece in half and then in half again
- Now draw a snowman- make sure his arms go all the way across to the edges of the paper on both sides
- Carefully cut out the outline of the snowman making sure you don't cut the folds at the arms
- Now open it out you should have four happy snowmen holding hands!
- Decorate each one however you like

# Sparkly tree decorations

- Get hold of some sparkly pipe cleaners
- Wrap pipe cleaners tightly around a pencil or thin paintbrush to make spirals
  - Once you've made about 10 spirals lay them over a piece of wool or thread and tie them all together in the middle
    - Tweak and shape your pipe cleaners in different directions to make a fun shape
      - Tie the thread to make a loop so you can hang it on the tree

### Pom pom fun

- Why not make some super quick pom poms on your hands and then get creative! Click for a tutorial - <u>DIY Pom Poms</u>
- White pom poms make great indoor snowballs
- And can be stuck and decorated after to make pom pom snowmen
- Colourful ones make great Christmas decorations, why not add sequins or glitter for extra sparkle?
- You can find out how to make lots of pom poms quickly using this clever hack!

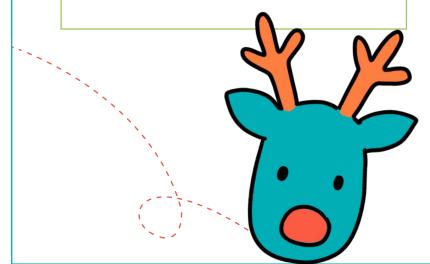
# Game ideas

### **Christmas Relay**

- Wrap up lots of empty boxes in funky Christmas paper.
- Divide participants into teams of equal numbers (at least 4 players in each team).
- Give each team a stack of Christmas boxes
- Its relay time!
- Split each team so they have equal numbers at either end of the room and place a chair in front of them.
- One person carries the stack to the other side and places it on the chair- the next person then picks it up and carries it back...keep going until everyone has had a turn
- Carry them carefully! If you drop any presents you have to go back to the chair and start your run again!
- First team back is the winner!
- If you need to make it harder for some teams why not add in some tube shape boxes or put some obstacles in their path!

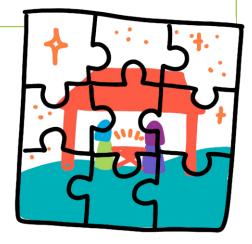
# Pin the red nose on Rudolph

- Everyone can join in this classic great for little ones.
- Draw or paint a Rudolph and stick it to the wall
- Taking in in turn participants must try and place the nose in the right place on the reindeer while blindfolded!
- Why not use a red pom pom for the nose!



# Christmas Card puzzles

- A great way to make use of last years Christmas cards!
- Chop up the images from several different cards into 4 or 5 pieces
- Jumble them all up together in a big pile
- Set a challenge to put them back together
- Why not put a pile of pieces on each table to keep everyone busy and working together during the meal time?
- Use religious cards and encourage everyone to tell what they know of the story of their card once they've found all the pieces



We hope you have a wonderful time Making Christmas Lunch year!!!

