

NEWSLETTER

GAMES, CRAFTS, JOKES, AND MORE! WINTER 2024



Brrr! Winter's Here!

Thanks for reading our winter kids' newsletter!

Do you have a fun fact about animals that you'd like to share? Email it to us at **hero@hsfn.org**! Please include your first name and grade, and we'll print our favorites in the next issue. Make sure to get it in by February 28th!

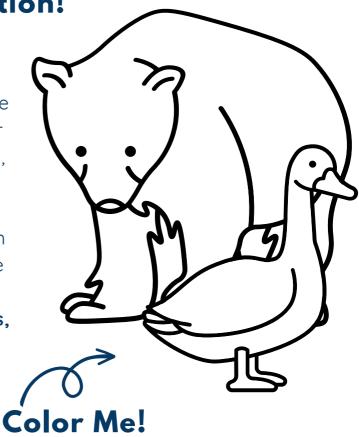
Winter Pet Safety

- Dry your pet's paws and feet after they come in to remove ice, salt, and chemicals.
- Never leave a pet alone in the car.
- Set up a warm and cozy sleeping nook for your pet
- Antifreeze is a chemical used in cars during the winter. It is deadly for animals, so do not let your pet drink any.
- REMEMBER: If it's too cold for you, it's too cold for your pet. Never leave an animal out in the cold.



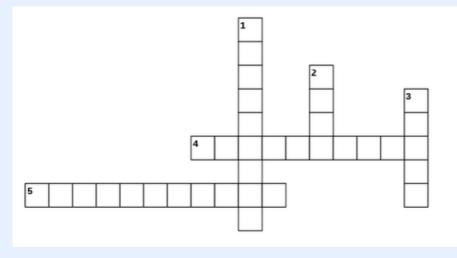
Hibernation and Migration!

In the winter, many wild animals seem to take a long, deep nap. But they aren't actually sleeping - they're hibernating! During this time of year it is cold, dark, and hard to find food, so animals will slow down their bodies to save energy. They eat lots of food during the fall to get through the winter. When they wake up in the spring, they are very hungry! Some animals that hibernate include bears, chipmunks, turtles, and ladybugs. Fun fact: certain species of frogs can survive being almost totally frozen!



You will also notice that there are fewer birds in the winter. When it gets cold here, many birds will fly south to find warmer weather. In the spring, they will fly back north. This is called **migrating**. Geese are one type of bird that migrate. However, other birds like woodpeckers and turkeys will stay in New Hampshire year-round!

Let's see what you've learned!





Across

- 4. a chemical used in the winter that is deadly for animals
- 5. when animals slow down their bodies in winter to save energy

Down

- 1. when birds move from one place to another because of the weather
- 2. a giant, furry animal that hibernates
- 3. a type of bird that migrates