



A FATHER'S LOVE

PART OF THE PENGUINS THEMED PROGRAMME



▶▶ GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

Emperor Penguin Dads are loving and caring - protecting their children, keeping them safe and warm. Does this remind you of another 'father' who keeps us safe?

Share these facts about emperor penguins and how they look after their young.

The father takes on sole responsibility of looking after the egg. He balances it on his feet, keeping it off the ice where it would freeze. These dads also cover it in their brood pouch (warm fold of skin) to protect the egg and keep it warm during the cold bitter winter where temperatures get as low as -50°C and winds of 125 MPH. This can last for months, during which time the dad doesn't eat and can lose almost half its body weight - all to look after its egg.

That's a great deal of sacrifice to protect his child. This can remind us of the love and care that God gives to each one of us. As a group, have a think about ways in which God cares for us. What examples can you think of?

Craft: Use the penguin template to create a craft to help remind us of God's love. Stick cotton wool to the white love heart, to create a fluffy warm centre - a reminder that with God in our hearts, we too will be kept safe and warm, just like the little penguin eggs.



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Penguins: A Father's Love Activity Sheet
- Cotton Wool
- Glue



KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

Please maintain social distance where required. When using shared equipment, hands should be cleaned both before and after the activity.

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