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Activity: **Tactile Temperature Activity**

Materials: 2 buckets, bins or tubs without holes, towels for cleanup (optional: soap, food coloring, tools to dig or pour such as paintbrushes, sponges, measuring cups)

Utilize the spring snow to explore the differences between hot and cold! Fill one bin with snow and another with warm water for tactile play exploration. Let your child place their feet in the bins, perhaps use soap to make bubbles with the water, use food coloring or paint to "paint" the snow. Talk about what cold and hot (warm) feel like, make snowballs to drop into the water to discuss melting, put gloves on to understand how winter clothes keep us warm, paint, mix and stir colors in the snow, perhaps let them taste the snow with or without flavors such as jello or juice added...the possibilities are endless!

Target areas: Sensory exploration, tactile exploration, temperature discrimination, play and exploration skills, safety skills