The Snowy Day
Extension Activities for the Classroom

Science Activities:

Melting Ice
Place paper cups filled with ice cubes in various places around the classroom (in a closet, near a sunny windowsill, in an insulated lunch bag, or in a pocket like Peter did). Observe which cubes melt faster and/or slower and discuss why.

Snow Playdough
2 cups cornstarch
1 1/4 cup unscented white hand lotion
Bowl, spoon, cookie cutters, rolling pins, etc.
Let your students measure the ingredients. This is great for following directions and developing math skills. In a large bowl mix the cornstarch, lotion and peppermint oil. As you stir, the mixture will start to form into what looks like a snowball.

Snow Slime
1/2 cup of Elmer's White Glue
3 Cups of Foam Shaving Cream
1/2 tsp baking soda
1 tbsp of saline solution
Glitter, if desired (sprinkle it on after you make the slime!)

See link for complete instructions. https://littlebinsforlittlehands.com/winter-fake-snow-slime-recipe/

Catching Snowflakes – You need a snowy day!
Prep all the paper ahead of time (at least 2 hours). Once the snow has started falling, take the papers out of the freezer and let the children catch the flakes onto the frozen black (or any other dark color) paper.
https://lemonlimeadventures.com/simple-winter-science-how-to-catch-snowflakes/

Art:

Snowflake Prints
Prep the Peter cut-outs ahead of time. Let the children use thread spools, bubble wrap and/or other repurposed items to make this cool artwork inspired by *The Snowy Day.* After the paint has dried, the children can glue Peter onto the picture.

Music:

Winter Songs
Lots of cold weather songs and poems in the link below.
https://teachingmama.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/Winter-Songs-for-Preschool1-1.pdf

If you and your students enjoyed reading *The Snowy Day,* be sure to check out these books too:

- *There Was a Cold Lady Who Swallowed Some Snow!* by Lucille Collandro
- *The Story of Snow: The Science of Winter's Wonder Paperback* by Mark Cassino
- *The Mitten* by Jan Brett