



Winter Learning Plan: Nov 25 – Jan 30 (preliminary)

Note: Not all weeks are mandatory

Week 1 (Nov 25–Dec 1): Malmö Foundations & Ice

- **Malmöhus Castle & Natural History Museum**
Clue-hunt Viking exhibitions, submarine, geology exhibits. Kids create heritage maps tied to city tram/bus travel for journal entries.
- **Malmö Konsthall / Moderna Museet Malmö**
Guided art workshops exploring Nordic light, winter themes, spatial stories.
- **Ice Skating at Folkets Park (“Vinterdröm” rink)**
Morning skate session; afternoon creative sketching of movement and light.

Week 2 (Dec 2–8): Local Festivals & Lucia

- **Katrinetorp Christmas Market** – Wreath-making, Lucia crafts, local foods, pony rides.
- **Visit a school or parish Lucia rehearsal** – observe Lucia dress rehearsal or small procession; children note symbols, songs.

Week 3 (Dec 9–15): Music & Tradition

- **Lucia Concert** at Sankt Johannes Church (Dec 13)
Attend the Malmö University Academic Choir concert. Pre-visit discussion on Lucia symbolism and roles.
- Optional backstage visit or brief Q&A with choir members or organizers.

Week 4 (Dec 16–22): Technology & Maritime Stage

- **Malmö Maritime & Technology Museum** at Malmöhus
Study engine tech, submarine design, compare with Viking ship design. Kids build simple model boats powered by student-made circuits.
- Evening winter-light guided walk through Gamla Staden or Pildammsparken, discussing seasonal architecture and civic planning.

Week 5 (Dec 23–29): Copenhagen & Danish Immersion

- **Day trip via Øresundståg to Copenhagen**
Visit **Glyptotek clay studio** to explore myth storytelling and ancient sculpting, followed by evening **Copenhagen Light Festival** installations.

- Explore **Tivoli Gardens Winter Wonderland**: skating, Christmas fair rides, Danish pastries (wienerbrød), short rides. Discuss Nordic winter design and business hospitality.

Week 6 (Dec 30–Jan 5): Reflection & Preparation for Åland

- Compile weekly journal reflections, art work, transport mapping.
- Bake lussekatter together and rehearse Lucia verse performance.

Week 7 (Jan 6–Jan 12): Sport & Culture in Malmö

- **Malmö Redhawks ice hockey game**—explore teamwork and sporting culture.
- **Curling workshop** at Kockum Fritid: team relay, balance drills, strategy talk.
- Start planning **Åland trip logistics**, discuss Finnish-Swedish relationship, Viking maritime ties.

Week 8 (Jan 13–Jan 19): Fieldtrip to Vadstena Kloster

- **Train Malmö → Mjölby, then bus → Vadstena.**
- **Sancta Birgitta Klostermuseum** guided themes tour (pre-booked).
- Activities:
 - Role-play monastic life in medieval dress
 - Scavenger hunt in Nun’s Garden + journaling
 - Arts workshop: create memory-book pages
 - Quiet reflection inside Abbey Church with sketching
- Optional Lucia song moment & saffron bun fika.

Week 9 (Jan 20–Jan 25): Åland Archipelago Exploration

- **Cruise from Sweden to Åland**
- In Mariehamn/arcing activities:
 - **Åland Maritime Museum & Pommern ship**: climb rigging, “100 Days Under Sail” interactive museum audio trail.
 - Visit **Cultural History & Art Museums of Åland**: exhibitions on local maritime history and art.
 - Optional **curling session in Eckerö** at Åland Curling Center (winter package ~€20/kid).
 - Optional nature trail walk at **Herröskatan** or gentle archipelago hike.
- If snow allows: try **ice-skating on frozen sea bays** with guided safety, or ice-fishing excursion.

Week 10 (Jan 26–Jan 30): Synthesis & Presentation Week

- Team presentations: Memory-book sharing, map-making of routes taken, reflections on tradition, tech, environment.

- Children perform Lucia song or seasonal piece for caregivers or peer groups over fika.
- Final “Travel-mentoring” discussion: recap of public transport mastery, cultural lessons, climate reflections.