

Playgroup SA

Playgroup Weekly Session Planner

Celebrating Families Week

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CRAFT ACTIVITY

Families Week is held each year from the 15th to the 21st of May. It is a week to celebrate the vital role that families play in Australian society.

Craft activity: Family Portrait

Children will need: Coloured pencils, textas or crayons.

Instructions: Using the National Families Week template – let the children draw their families. They can include anyone who they feel is part of their family. Grandparents, friends, pets.

Extension ideas:

Using material, textured paper, and wool to add some depth and body to the portraits by using the material or paper – glue on to the portrait to give the people or pets - clothes, hair, fur.

Fact: Over 100 000 people participate in Community events during Families Week.



Learning Outcome 1: Children have a strong sense of identity.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

Create a Giant Chalk Masterpiece – use masking tape to make a pattern on the outdoor floor space or a wall and let the children and parents colour in sections of the piece in bright colours using outdoor chalk. Peel away the masking tape to reveal the masterpiece that all the families have created. Hopefully it might be there for the following weeks Playgroup.

SENSORY ACTIVITY

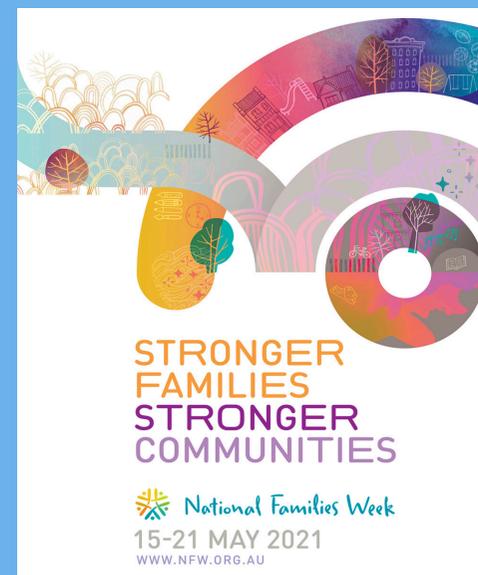
Cotton Wool Painting

You will need: Cotton Wool Balls, wooden pegs, paper, paint.

Instructions: Using the wooden pegs, pick up a cotton wool ball and dip it into the paint and then make patterns on the paper. Use a different cotton wool ball for each colour they want to use. Using the peg instead of fingers to paint.

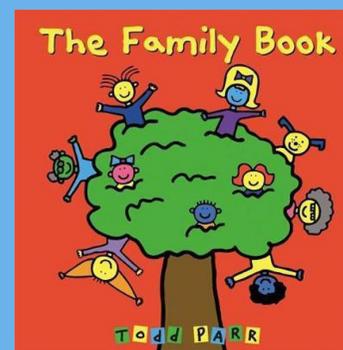
GROUP TIME IDEAS

Talk about families – who is in your family? What do you like doing with your family? Finish off by reading a book about families.



BOOK SUGGESTIONS

The Family Book by Todd Parr &
Love makes a family by Sophie Beer.



My Family



National Families Week

15 - 21 May