



# TREETOP TALK



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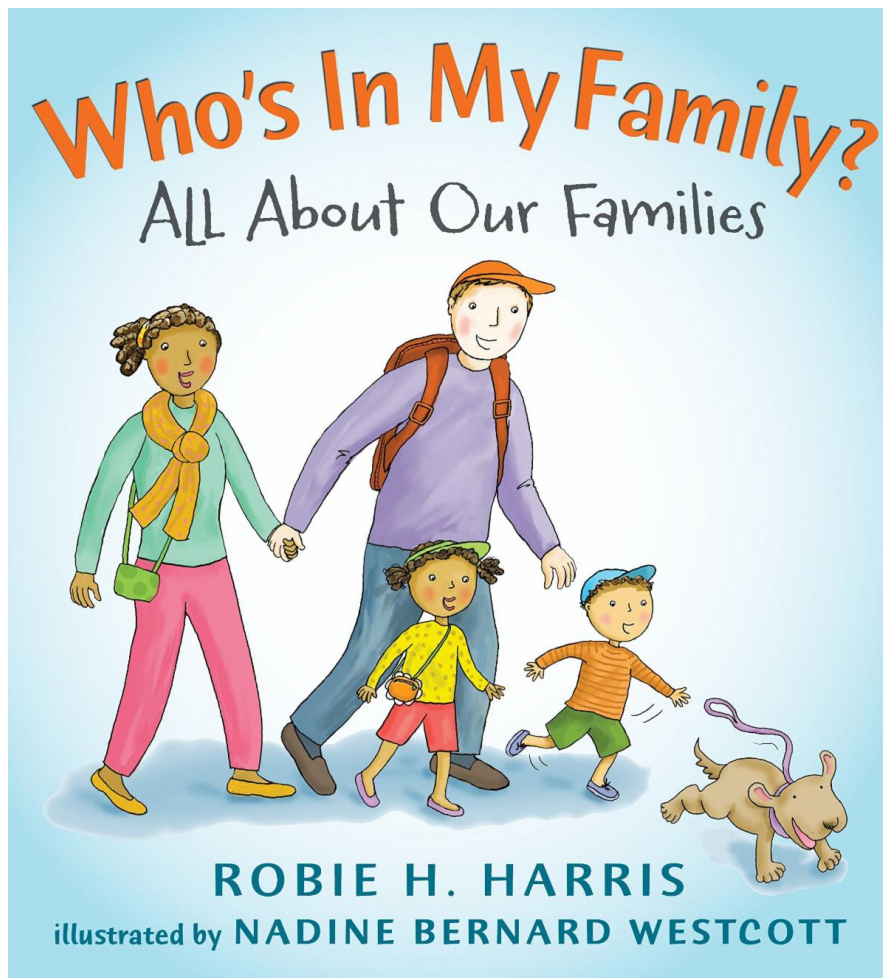
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## Friendship & Family

February is often associated with hearts and love. It is a great time to sit down with your child to explore concepts such as friendship and family. What makes someone your friend? How do you make friends? Who is in our family? Some books that will help your child explore these concepts are:





Who's in My Family? All About Our Families by Robie H. Harris

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### Valentine's Craft

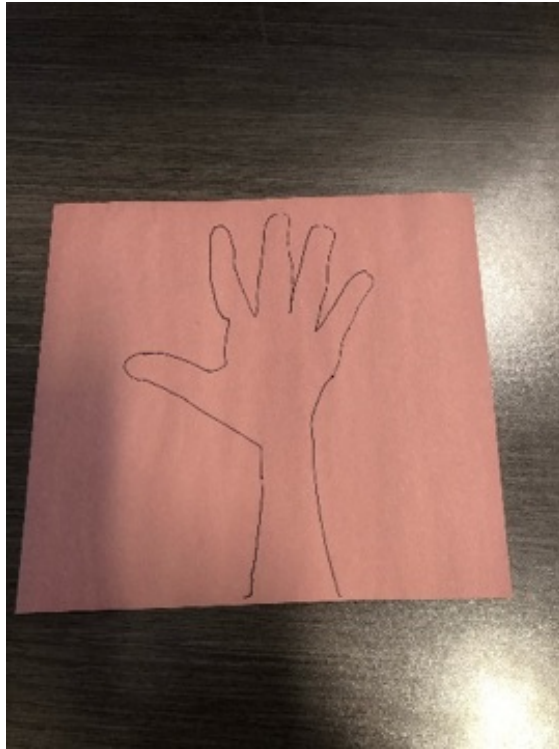
A fun February craft to do with children is to create a Valentine tree.

Items you will need

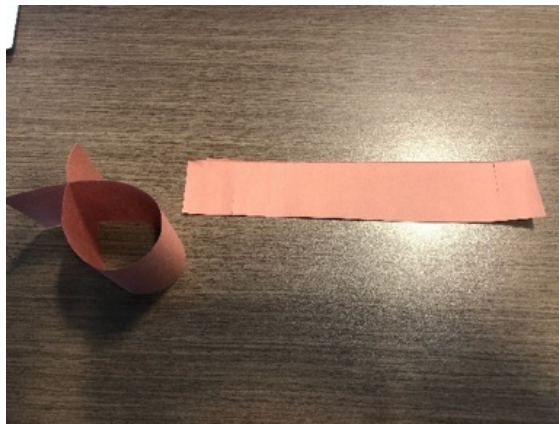
- Construction paper (you may choose any colors, I have chosen brown, green, red, pink, purple, and white)
- Black marker
- Scissors
- Glue stick

Steps to create handprint Valentine tree:

Trace your child's hand to create the base of the tree, and then cut it out.



Cut a strip of paper to use as a base holder. On that strip of paper, make a slit on the top (left side) and bottom (right side). Then connect.



Cut out different size hearts and leaves, using as many colors as you like.



Write Valentine quotes, friendship, or family concepts on the larger hearts.



Glue the leaves and hearts onto the branches of your tree (the fingertips). Once your tree is decorated, glue the tree to the base that you had previously cut out. Most of all, have fun!!!



# Parent Support Group



**The Parent Support Group meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm.**

All parents, grandparents, guardians, and other family members of children with special needs are invited to take part in a new parent-led Parent Support Group.

Anna Shaw Children's Institute follows social distancing and CDC safety guidelines.

- CHILDREN ARE WELCOME
- CHILDCARE IS PROVIDED
- FREE PIZZA, DRINKS, AND A FUN ACTIVITY

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# GRUPO DE APOYO PARA PADRES LATINOS

Todos los padres, abuelos, guardianes, y otros miembros de la familia de niños con necesidades especiales están invitados a tomar parte en un grupo de apoyo para padres, dirigido por los padres.

Anna Shaw Children's Institute se apega a las guías de seguridad y recomendaciones de distanciamiento social de la CDC.



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**8:30 - 10:00 am**

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Join us each Wednesday on the [Hamilton Health Care System Facebook page](#) for a book reading around the tree by the Anna Shaw Children's Institute staff. There are also several pre-recorded stories on [Hamilton's YouTube channel](#). Click the picture below to watch Lynn Sams, a speech therapist at Anna Shaw Children's Institute, read *The Gruffalo* by Julia Donaldson.



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