

VALENTINES CREATIVITY AT HOME with the **GLUCKSMAN**



It's time to celebrate love with our Valentine's **#creativityathome** activities

CREATIVE EXPLORATION

14 February is the feast of St. Valentine. There are relics of Saint Valentine of Rome preserved in a Carmelite Church in Dublin, Ireland. Saint Valentine supposedly wore a ring with an image of Cupid on it.

Cupid is the Roman god of love who is often pictured as a winged child with a bow and arrow. How would you depict the God or Goddess of Love?

ART ACTIVITY

MATERIALS: toilet paper roll, coloured paper/card, glue stick, feltips or colour pencils, scissors, skewer, pipe cleaners, beads

Use these materials to make a happy love bug!

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Activity 1: Love Bugs

Follow the instructions and watch out tutorial video for a step by step guide.

Step 1: Cut out coloured card or paper to cover the toilet roll.

Step 2: Stick it on with glue.

Step 3 (adult needed!): Use the skewers to poke 6 holes in the toilet roll - 3 on each side (for the pipe cleaners to go through!)

Step 4: Add the pipe cleaners through the holes to make 6 arms. Optional: you can add beads on the ends of the pipe cleaners

Step 5: Use your feltips to add eyes, a mouth and maybe more decoration on the love bug's body! Think: love hearts, stars, diamond shapes, triangles or just dots!

Step 6: Cut out 2 antenna (with heart shaped ends) and 2 heart-shaped wings of card.

Step 7: Glue the antenna on the inside of the toilet roll to stick out of the head.

Step 8: Make a small tab on the end of each heart-wing and glue on the back of the love bug's body.

Step 9: You can now add more decorations to your love bug!

Activity 2: Card Making

Materials: White card, colour pencils or feltips, toilet roll, paint (1 colour), scissors, rubber band

Step 1: Bend the toilet roll to create a heart-shaped hole.

Step 2: Stabilise with a rubber band, so the toilet roll can be held easily at the end.

Step 3: The heart-shaped end will be used as a stamp: put 1 colour of paint on a plate and dip the end in.

Step 4: Stamp a lot of hearts on to white card. You can add as many as you want on a handful of paper!

Step 5: Let the paint dry!

Step 6: Take your colour pencils or feltips and fill up the white spaces in-between the hearts.

Step 7: Cut the card in 4 pieces – you get 4 cards out of 1 A4 page!

Who are you going to write all your homemade cards to?

We would love to see what scary artworks you create and how you get on with these Valentine activities. Ask your parents or guardian to share photos with us on the Glucksman's social media pages -

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