

Postcard Instructions for International Friendship Day

- **Print** the template below or copy the template design on to a piece of paper
- **Discuss** with your child, what a friend is and ask them about their friends. You can help by prompting your child with questions like "Do you have a special friend? What is their name? Why do you like being friends with them? What do your friends do to make you happy? What's your favourite thing to do with your friend/s?"
- Help your child complete the postcard for their friend/s.
 - **Read** the postcard with your child.
 - If your child can **write**, encourage them to fill out the blank spaces on the postcard or you can write in what they would like to put in the spaces.
 - Even if they cannot write letters yet, it's always good to encourage children to have a go. They can write their name at the bottom to say who the postcard is from.
- On the other-side of the postcard, encourage your child to **draw** a picture of their friend or perhaps draw what a good friend is or any picture they would like to do.
- Once complete, enter the world of **imaginative play** and have your child be the postie. Together you can **deliver** the postcard to their friend's mailbox on your walk around the neighbourhood or pop it into a real envelope, with a stamp and mail it in an Auspost mailbox on your walk.

Grow your brain

Did you know creating friendship postcards is not only fun, but also helps us grow our brains? While making your postcard, you will grow our brain as you practise and put skills into action. So what exactly will you learn and develop.....

- Concentration
- Reading
- Writing
- Empathy - sharing your feelings and thoughts about the importance of friends and what friendship means
- Creativity & imagination



Dear my friend _____

Wishing you a happy International
Friendship Day for 30th July.

You are a good friend because you

Thank you for being my friend.

Love



