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And part of your holiday.

Paper has a place in every part of our lives, and every room in our homes. It serves some basic needs. It packages and protects. And it even gives us down-time through books or our favourite weekly newspaper.

Festive paper crafts

1 Make your own **personalised giftwrap** by decorating brown kraft paper with stamps, drawings, or special messages. You could even just wrap the gift in brown paper, tie it up with a pretty ribbon and add some greenery from the garden.



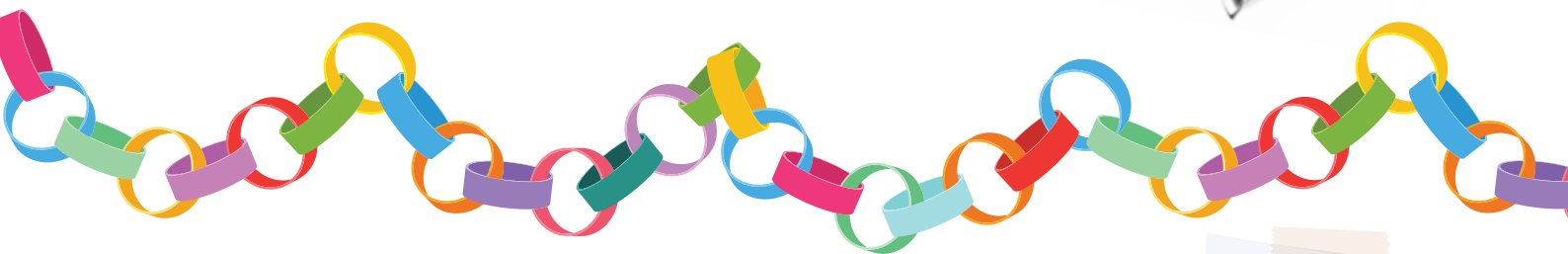
2 Use toilet roll cores to make **paper flowers for your tree** or a hanging garland.

1. Flatten the core along its length.
2. Mark and cut the core along its length into 1cm petals.
3. Using a good craft glue or glue gun (with adult supervision), glue the petals together to create a flower.
4. Decorate your flowers by applying a jewel in the centre, or dab the petals with paint or glue using a sponge, then dipping in glitter.
5. You can hang these on your tree or join them together with string or ribbon.



3 Instead of tinsel, make a **paper chain for your tree**. You can use white or coloured paper, even old magazines or used paper, to make the paper strips.

1. Get an adult to help you cut the strips into 1.5cm by 10-12cm lengths – depending on how big you want the loops.
2. Take one strip and glue the ends together to make circle. Then thread the next strip through the first loop and glue its ends together.
3. Repeat until you are happy with the length of your paper chain.



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