Make Your Own Paper Plate Football

A great lacing project and a great way learn to tie your shoes! (Ask Mum or Dad for help)

WHAT YOU NEED:

- 2 paper plates
- brown paint
- scissors
- hole punch
- ribbon, yarn or string
- old newspaper



- 1. Paint or colour the BACKS of 2 paper plates. Let them dry. (when put together they will look like a 3-D football)
- 2. Cut plates in half. Cut one half of each plate 3-4cms from the newly cut edge. (You need to do this for the back and front, so cut 3-4cms from 2 of your pieces). This will make the plate an oval shape.
- 3. Next tape a half and a 3cm shorter half together, set aside.
- 4. Make holes along the cut edge of one of the halves. Line the other plate up and make pencil marks on your un-punched plate, then hole punch it.

 Your holes don't have to be perfect, it will still work fine, but you need the same number of holes on each half.
- 5. Staple the halves to the whole plate you just taped together. Remember that you want it to look like a bowl shape in the middle, and you are going to fill it in.
- 6. Scrunch up or cut strips of newspaper. Fill the inside of your ball until it has a good shape.
- 7. Lace up your holes with ribbon, wool, a shoelace or whatever you have. Your child practice tying his or her shoes.