

mater-

Latin and Greek roots for mother

pater-

Latin and Greek roots for father

patrician

adj. aristocratic; descended from the founding fathers

patron

n. a person who supports or fathers a business by giving money

patriarch

n. a man who is the head of a family or group

pattern

n. a plan or model worth copying, like a father

patronym

n. a family name derived from name of your father

maternity

n. the condition of being a mother

matrimony

n. marrying a woman to make her a mother

matrix

n. the substance between cells which mothers or develops body tissue

alma mater

n. the college or school which mothered a student

matron

n. a mature woman who has children or who mothers or supervises others