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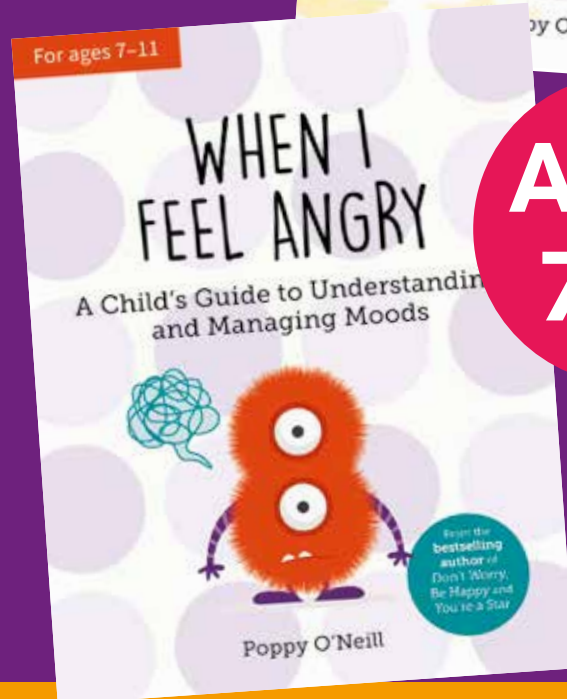
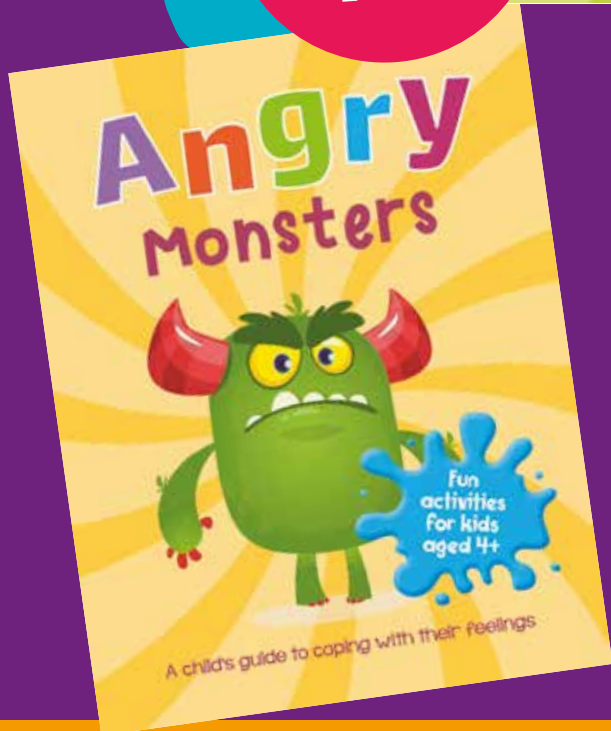
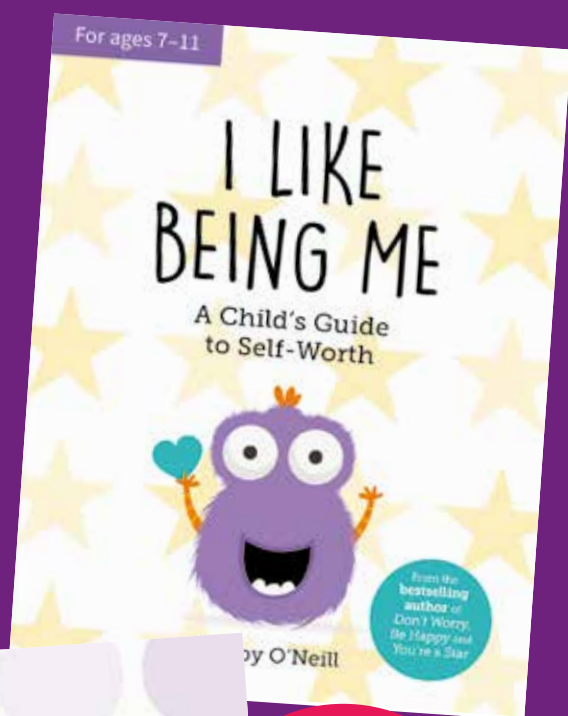
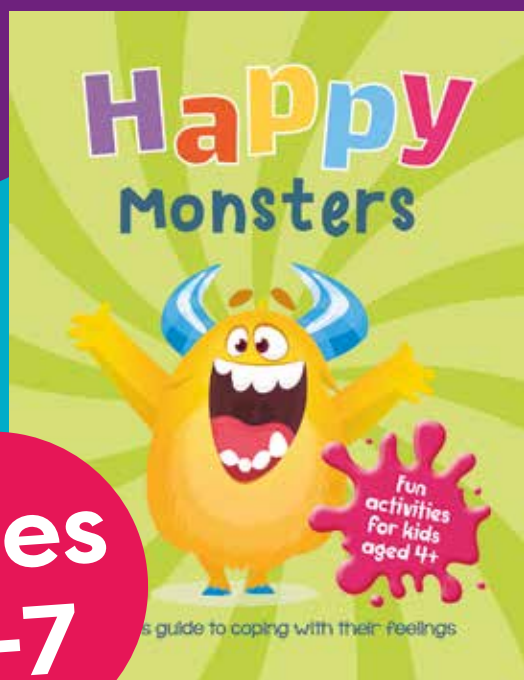
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Welcome

Spring is just around the corner and it's time to re-embrace the big outdoors! Why not check out our downloadable walking challenge and get the whole family stepping out? And take a look at some great outdoor toy options that will definitely motivate the kids!

Of course, Mother's Day is just around the corner and Easter not too far away. Find inspiration for a great gift for mum for under £20. We have researched the best egg options and have some tips on organising a successful Easter egg hunt, plus loads of Easter craft and cooking ideas too.

Don't miss our giveaways either! This issue's goodies include **Smoby Nature Playhouses, tonnes of books and a device to help those who find reading difficult**. Apply inside and also ensure you receive every issue of our digital magazine with lots more content and goodies on offer.

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Healthy after-school snack ideas

We asked our friends at [Kitchen Titbits](#) for healthy ideas to satisfy our kids' after-school hunger and to avoid spending a fortune on packaged snacks.



[Energy-balls](#)



[Banana and blueberry muffins \(vegan\)](#)



[Banana ice cream](#)



[Butternut squash and feta scones](#)



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"Our small class sizes enable **personalized care** for children from 18 months to 4 years old with flexible hours from 8am to 6pm, 47 weeks a year. In addition, we provide a **four-course organic menu**," said a spokesperson.

Its next **open day** is Saturday, April 22. Schedule a visit today to see what sets Mars Montessori apart!

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Helping boys manage the gender gap

By Lisa Wander and Catherine Loble



A 2022 global report shows that boys are increasingly becoming left behind in education. Furthermore, recent school entry baseline assessments show over one million boys are already under-achieving by the time they enter Reception. So what are the reasons behind this?

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Highly experienced staff provide personalised childcare for ages 2+, as well as wraparound care both in and out of term time.

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Stretching your child's imagination

By Jemma Z Smith



Imagination helps children think creatively and consider possibilities that may not be rooted in current reality. Imagination can be a powerful tool for problem-solving and innovation. So how can we encourage its maximum use?

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Six reasons children switch off from learning

By Gail Hugman



Given eleven years of full-time schooling, it's not surprising many children face difficulties that affect their learning and some switch off altogether. What are the reasons for this and how can children be helped to re-engage?

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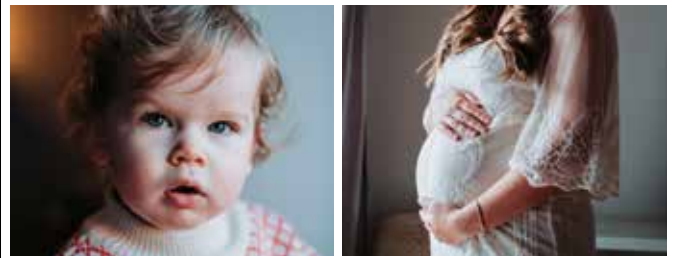


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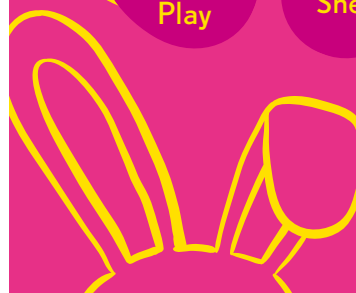
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Hendon Prep's newly appointed Head of Early Years, Dominique Renouf-Soar told how it is vital for education to be holistic at this age.

"By inspiring the heart, mind, and spirit of every child, we can **support the joy of childhood** alongside preparation for the world beyond," explained Mrs Renouf-Soar.

"At Hendon Prep, we offer our children a stimulating learning environment to support **discovery and creativity** and we work hard to develop strong and effective relationships between staff, parents, and other children.

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Cuddledry hands-free baby towel

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Fun bamboo **Character Towels** – 1-3yrs or 3-6yrs. £34.99-£39.99. **Cuddleduck**, is a bath and teething toy with no hole – so no mould can grow inside. BPA-free and made with natural rubber. £12.99 in 3 colours. And stay-soft, silky bamboo **Washcloths** with natural antibacterial qualities. £7.99. See the range at

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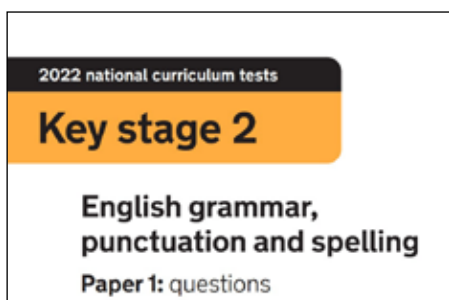
Year 2 KS1 SATs topic checklist

Use this to identify skills and gaps that need more practice.



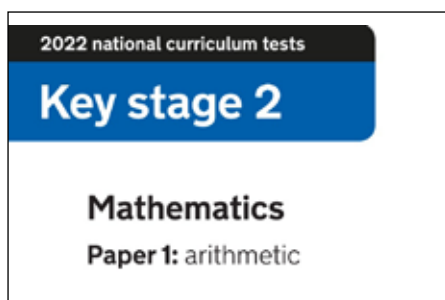
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- Maths
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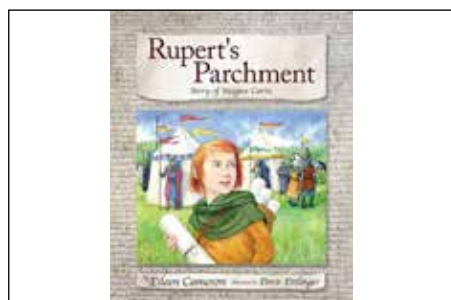
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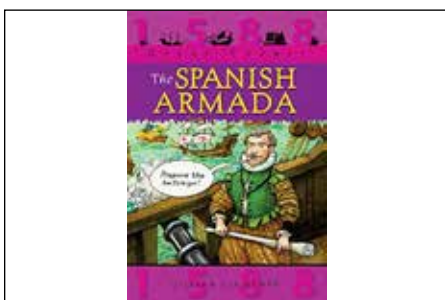
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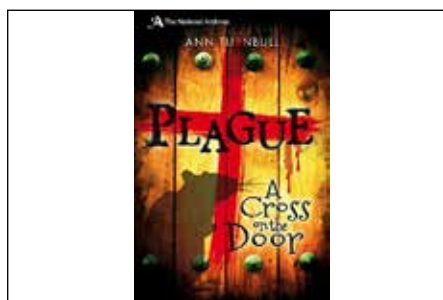
The Spanish Armada

Ages 6-11. Explores the English navy's defeat of the Spanish Fleet.



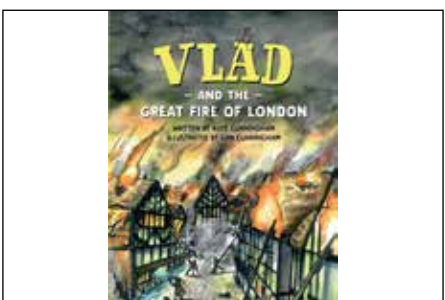
Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot

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Plague: A Cross on the Door

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Top value family holiday destinations

Travelling abroad as a family is a wonderful experience but can be costly. Families asked [Ashley Lutz at Travel Counsellors](#) to recommend some destinations that offer excellent value for money.



Turkey

Warm, family-friendly and relatively cheap once you are there.



Portugal

A Eurozone destination where your cash can work harder.



Montenegro

Cheaper and quieter than neighbouring Croatia.



Mauritius

Something for all ages with prices almost half of the neighbouring Seychelles.



Jamaica

Named best value destination in the Caribbean (The Post Office).



South Africa

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Albania

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Hosting an Easter egg hunt

Choosing the location

Your garden is great or a local park if your group is large.

Allow for weather. Have an indoor Plan B or take wet weather gear.

Avoid an area so large that it's impossible to find the eggs!

For younger kids, **keep it simple.** Scatter eggs about in obvious locations.

Hiding the eggs

Before you start, **count the eggs.** You'll thank yourself later!

Make it fair with different colour eggs for different kids.

Try treasure hunt style with clues and rewards along the way. Finish with a grand prize.

Find age-appropriate hiding spots - too easy and it's over in a flash; too hard, kids get upset.

Incorporating nature

An outdoor hunt is an ideal way to incorporate **outdoor learning.**

Use vegetation in your own garden or park as hiding spots.

Instead of solving clues, **complete a spring spotting sheet** or **scavenger trail** along the way.

Collect items along the way instead to make a nature craft or win a prize.

Selecting prizes

Go healthy with less sugary offerings.

Personalise your own decorated eggs (name, date, place) to create keepsakes.

Customise treats for your child - favourite pens, books, gift voucher.

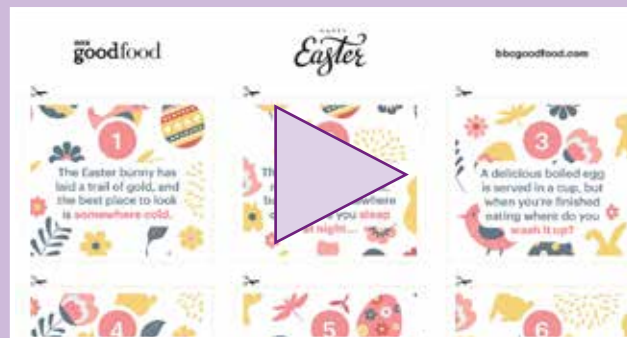
Try tokens to collect and redeem for prizes or even cash.

How to decorate eggs for Easter



A short 3-minute video which demonstrates how to easily decorate eggs for your hunt.

Readymade Easter egg hunt downloadable



Try this readymade indoor hunt with clues and hiding spots suitable for most houses.

Top Easter eggs for 2023

Choose your Easter eggs from the couch this year with our wonderful selection of treats.



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Easter crafts for the kids to enjoy

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DIY Easter egg pinata



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Easy button Easter egg



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Easter treats to make with the kids

From Neha Gandesha [@squashedpickle](#)

Froyo Easter egg lollies



These frozen yoghurt treats are considered the best Easter cooking activity in our family. With a few simple ingredients, such as Greek yoghurt and food colouring, you can create a delicious Easter snack which the kids will run to the freezer to devour!

RECIPE

VIDEO

Easter hot chocolate



Kids can top these with their favourite chocolate eggs, sprinkles or even cookies and enjoy in a hot cup of milk. They make great Easter gifts when wrapped up too. Remember, marshmallows should only be given to kids over 5-years-old as they are a choking hazard.

RECIPE

VIDEO

Cinnamon Swirl bunnies



These bunnies are so fun for Easter and very easy to make, thanks to the ready-to-bake cinnamon swirl rolls made by Jus-Rol. The fun is in shaping the rolls so they turn into bunny ears! Kids can decorate the finished product with sprinkles and candy eyes and they make a really cute little Easter snack.

RECIPE

VIDEO

Milky Bar Oreo chicks



These are another really fun Easter-themed treat to make with the kids and they use favourite chocolatey treats including Oreos, Milky Bar and yellow and orange Smarties. Other than that, all you really need are some lolly sticks and some candy eyes to really bring the chicks to life!

RECIPE

Helping children who find reading difficult

Word Window is a specially designed hand-held tool that helps children break down words to make them easier to read. It was invented by a mum with an extensive background in education who created it to help children that found reading difficult.

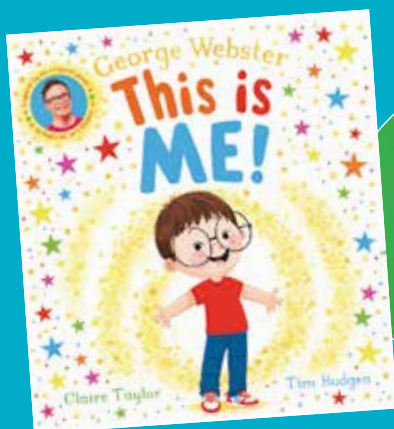
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