

# ★ Parent & Family News ★

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## PAREint: Testing a Novel Parenting Intervention for Autistic Children

Researchers at City, University of London are looking to compare two communication techniques that have been suggested to improve memory and communication skills in autistic children. They would like parents of autistic children to take part in a long term study, where you will receive training and support from the researchers.

In order to take part, parents and children must:

- Have access to the internet and a digital device (smart phone, tablet, computer etc.)
- Not be taking part in another research study

Children must also be:

- 7 to 11 years old
- Diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder
- Have minimal or no language or intellectual disabilities

If you are interested in taking part please click [here](#). If you have any questions about the study, please email the researcher, Gemma Ryan at

[gemma.ryan@city.ac.uk](mailto:gemma.ryan@city.ac.uk).

**Wishing you a lovely week!**

## Butterfly Conservation

A few months ago we were asked by the charity Butterfly Conservation if we'd like to provide some images of the children engaging with nature for their Spring Campaign.

The campaign is focussed on the mental health and wellness aspects of getting out into nature and includes ideas on how we can all add specific plants to our gardens and outdoor spaces to aid the butterfly and moth populations.

The campaign has recently gone live and has already received some national press attention. We are delighted that some photos of Niall from Badgers Class have been selected for the official campaign materials. More details about the campaign, the school's involvement, and how you can get involved can be found [here](#).

## Parental Controls

National Online Safety have released a guide explaining how to set up parental controls to limit age-inappropriate content on an iPhone. To download and view this free guide, click [here](#).

National Online Safety (NOS) release regular, helpful guides for parents on a range of popular apps, games and social media platforms, explaining their purposes and the potential risks. If you are interested in keeping up to date with these, please visit the [NOS website](#).