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LET **LEONORA BAMFORD** AND **NANNY ANITA** RAMP UP THE EXCITEMENT WITH THEIR CRACKING CHRISTMAS CREATIONS



This is my favourite time of year. Nanny Anita and I love how excited the children are and she's come up with brilliant ideas to get creative with yours. Try our easy-to-make decorations or fabulous indoor fireworks.

There's so much to do on the run-up to Christmas. Anita's taking the children to the theatre as a treat and I'm planning to spend the day with them at Kensington Mums' first Christmas Fair.

I already have lists on my desk and have bought a few fairy doors from Tiny Magic Mail, as well as a dreamy bag from The Cambridge Satchel Company, which can be personalised. Don't forget to check out portablenorthpole.com for some festive magic. mybaba.com

THINGS WE LIKE...

Welcome the fairies into your home and let little ones enjoy tiny themed boxes of magic.

tinymagicmail.com

I've already bagged this completely gorgeous satchel for Christmas



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GLUE CHRISTMAS DECORATION

Homemade decorations are all the rage and, if you do them year after year, you can see how much your child has grown. You will need:

Wax or parchment paper • PVA glue • Christmas cookie cutter • Glitter • Twine

- Put a Christmas cookie cutter on the wax or parchment paper and get children to fill the shape with a layer of glue.
- Cover with glitter and leave to dry.
- When dry, peel off and make a small hole, loop the twine and hang the decoration on your tree.



These fruity treats are yummy and easy to make



Baked Apples

Ingredients

1 apple • Pinch of raisins • Teaspoon of butter • Teaspoon of honey

- Core the apple and score a line around the middle with a knife
- Stand the apple in a piece of foil in a baking dish, and pack the hole with the butter, raisins and top with honey
- Bake for 30 to 40 minutes
- Enjoy with cream, ice cream or on its own

KENSINGTON MUMS' CHRISTMAS FAIR

29 November

Kensington Town Hall

I love a good Christmas fair and I'm excited to go to Kensington Mums' first, which is going to be packed full of goodies. They've secured Amanda's Action Club and Portobello Pop-ins arts and crafts to keep little ones happy. It's sure to be a good day out.

kensingtonmums.co.uk



Create a riot of firework colour without the noise!

FIREWORKS IN A JAR

If your little ones are unable to stay up until midnight or don't like the noise of fireworks, why not create your own fireworks in a jar.

You will need:

Clear glass or mason jar • Vegetable oil • Food colourings

- Fill the glass three-quarters with water.
- Gently pour the oil on top of the water.
- Add a few drops of each colour of food colouring to the oil.
- Watch as it filters through to the water and creates mesmerising patterns.