

**Dear Reader,**

This morning I sat and waited in the reception room whilst Chloe was learning to do backward flips and tummy rolls in her gymnastics class. I took along a pen and paper to jot down some ideas for this month's newsletter and I people watched. I watched the mom moan at her son for messing cookie crumbs all over himself, his chair and the floor. I watched the little girl playing on her iPad, complete with purple headphones bopping her head in time to the music she could only hear and I wondered to myself how will today's children turn out. When they are all grown up, will they be able to relate to others? It is an indictment of our plugged-in society. I recently stumbled across this advert [Coca-Cola Social Media Guard](#) . It is sad yet true.

I want to be the type of parent that gives her my undivided attention, instead of being busy on my laptop or phone. I want Chloe to believe in the tooth fairy and I want her to skip, jump, and play. I want her to use her imagination. If you click on the next link you will see how these parents made their toy dinosaurs come out and night and play <http://www.picddit.com/p/3vq38y> . What do you do that creates a little magic in your home?

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