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Early Intervention Family Workers offer you an opportunity to ask for information, advice, and support on anything affecting your family life in a relaxed and confidential environment. (During the coronavirus pandemic we are still offering support, however this is currently on a virtual basis)

Activity Idea



First paint the toilet roll in a colour of your child's choice.

Stick on googly eyes or paint them on.

Draw on a scary mouth using a black felt tip.

Cut out small white triangles for the teeth and stick them on.

Tips To Help Manage Your Child's Anxiety.

- Don't try and eliminate
 Anxiety, do try and help them manage it.
- Normalise the emotion and show empathy.
- Don't avoid situations that make your child anxious.
- Express Positive but realistic expectations.
- Don't reinforce Your child's fears.
- Be Encouraging
- Talk things through with your child and try and come up with an action plan.
- Model healthy ways to manage Anxiety at home.
- Share (but don't over burden) your own experiences of feeling anxious and how you managed and overcome the emotion.

Another Resource

<u>https://youngminds.org.uk/blog/how-to-</u> make-a-worry-box-a-guide-for-parents/

A link to young minds, a great website for children and young people suffering with anxiety or other mental health issues.

Does your child have, or potentially have, an additional need or disability? Pinpoint (www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk) have lots of information, advice and tips. For Cambridgeshire's Local Offer go to www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/local-offer

