



## ABC GUIDE TO PARENTING IN PARIS

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Europe is a strange little place. All the countries are so close and small and yet they are so different in so many ways. The language, the houses, the systems and food; everything changes once you drive over a (nowadays) almost invisible border.

I spoke fluent French when I first moved to Paris, but even with that advantage, I was lost trying to figure out the different health system, school system, tax system, bank and so on. This is where I came across [Message](#), an organisation run by Anglo mothers and parents in Paris. Every couple of years they bring out a book called the [ABC of Parenting in Paris](#) with all the information about parenting in Paris. It is an invaluable source of knowledge if you are new to France and trying to navigate the system. If you are thinking of moving to Paris, also check out the [Message](#) website, it is a great way of gathering information and getting to know other English-speaking families in Paris.

- Emilie

*P.S. I am also a bit biased towards this particular edition of the ABC of Parenting in Paris, as a photo of little Vivi, taken by the talented [Sarah Gardan](#), was chosen for the front cover.*

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