## TAKEHOME

## Can toys help us celebrate our differences?



## In the news this week

Strictly Come Dancing star,
Rose Ayling-Ellis, has teamed up with
Barbie to unveil their first doll with behindthe-ear hearing aids. The EastEnders
actress, who won the dance competition
in 2021, features Mattel's (the toy
company) 'Rose, Barbie and Friends'
campaign. She is photographed alongside
a cast of diverse models reflecting the new
line of dolls, which includes the first
Ken doll with vitiligo, a Barbie doll with
a prosthetic limb and another with
a wheelchair.

## Things to talk about at home ...

- Talk about your favourite toy.
  What is it and why do you like it?
- Share your thoughts on the new range of dolls. Why do you think the company chose to make these dolls?
- How do you think Rose Ayling-Ellis might have felt when she learned about the new doll with hearing aids?
- Can you think of any other toys that could be made to help people feel included?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments







