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Find out what’s hot and what’s not, as voted by Huggies mums. This year’s list includes several surprises that have come out of nowhere, a few tongue twisters, a strong showing of the usual suspects, plus a smattering of entries that reveal the big name stars of stage and screen continue to rock our world.

Join the Huggies Baby Club and share your own baby name list.

BABY NAME TRENDS 2013

Yes, we parents are still in love with can’t-go-wrong, no nonsense classics that roll off the tongue, are easy to spell and pair well with many surnames. Sophie, Ava, Charlotte, Noah, Jack and Oliver, you rule the roll call for 2013.

OUT WITH THE OLD, IN WITH THE NEW AND REDISCOVERED

The fashion for safe and classic baby names may, however, be on the way out if baby name trends overseas are anything to go by.

Baby names catching fire internationally show a leaning towards the edgy and obscure - indicating a new generation of parents are not interested in playing it safe or channeling their inner private school girl or boy.

Movies, music and pop culture are influential. For instance, Freya is on the rise, possibly inspired by the lead female character in new TV show Witches of the East End. And biblical name, Asa, has been rediscovered thanks to actor Asa Butterfield.

Mythology and literature are becoming renewed sources of inspiration. Old names being dusted off and given a new lease on life include sophisticated and evocative names such as: Isolde, Seth, Blaise, Celia, Azariah, Vincent, Daphne, Persephone and Valentina.

Inspiration is also coming from the garden, with traditional flower names blossoming in popularity. Expect to be introduced to bunches of Magnolias and Azaleas in the near future.

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BABY, IT’S YOU

A swag of names popping up on lists overseas are inspired by the ‘It’ men and women of 2013 – including Pope Francis and comedienne Rebel Wilson.

It will be interesting to see if Bronwyn, Julie, Julia, Tony or Clive make it on to any Australian baby name lists any time soon.

See Australian Prime Ministers’ names

THOSE SILLY CELEBRITIES DON’T SEEM TO LEARN

When it comes to picking a handle for their little ones, celebrities can always be counted on to provide magazines and social media with a wealth of content loaded with puns poking fun at unfortunate choices.

Thankfully, few of us mere mortals follow in their Jimmy Choo-shod footsteps.

None the following celebrity baby names made it onto our list of most popular baby names for 2013: North (Kanye West’s offspring in case you’ve been living under a rock), Rainbow (Holly Madison’s bub) and Cricket (Busy Phillips, what were you thinking?).

START A BABY NAME TREND

Pick an interesting or fun theme and create your own baby name list. Become a Huggies member and share your list with us. Who knows – you might kick start a baby name revolution in 2014.
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GIRLS

1. Charlotte
2. Ava
3. Aria
4. Amelia
5. Ella
6. Mia
7. Ruby
8. Grace
9. Zara
10. Olivia
11. Sienna
12. Isabella
13. Chloe
14. Isla
15. Sophie
16. Lily
17. Scarlett
18. Emily
19. Matilda
20. Violet
21. Lucy
22. Evie
23. Eva
24. Zoe
25. Indie
26. Rose
27. Stella
28. Sophia
29. Lexie
30. Imogen
31. Georgia
32. Poppy
33. Savannah
34. Aaliyah
35. Holly
36. Audrey
37. Abigail
38. Isabelle
39. Annabelle
40. Maya
41. Bella
42. Lily
43. Alice
44. Emma
45. Phoebe
46. Lola
47. Asha
48. Cadence
49. Charli
50. Hazel

BOYS

1. Noah
2. Flynn
3. Oliver
4. William
5. Ryder
6. Harper
7. Lucas
8. Mason
9. Cooper
10. Archer
11. Ethan
12. Jack
13. Lachlan
14. Xavier
15. James
16. Harrison
17. Liam
18. Hunter
19. Max
20. Alexander
21. Oscar
22. Blake
23. Finn
24. Thomas
25. Logan
26. Hudson
27. Levi
28. Aidan
29. Samuel
30. Jasper
31. Archie
32. Leo
33. Luca
34. Nate
35. Jacob
36. Braxton
37. Isaac
38. Jackson
39. Eli
40. Elijah
41. Benjamin
42. Caleb
43. Sebastian
44. Henry
45. Harry
46. Joshua
47. Ashton
48. Addison
49. Jake
50. Chase