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Will and Kate's Surprising Choice for Prince George's Godparents

Our favorite new parents break from tradition again -- this time by choosing Prince George's godparents

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Prince William and Kate Middleton are officially the most normal [royals](#) ever.

According to [Huff Post Style](#), the [new parents](#) have

reportedly chosen longtime friends (and [commoners](#)!) **Fergus Boyd** and **Emilia d'Erlanger** to be [Prince George's](#) godparents. The palace has yet to confirm the news, but the choice definitely reflects Will and Kate's more [nontraditional values](#). (Our bets were on [Harry](#) and [Pippa](#)!)

What makes Boyd and d'Erlanger the perfect candidates? Friendship, of course. Boyd lived with Will and Kate in their university days, when the pair first fell in love. D'Erlanger, a high school friend of Kate's, reportedly introduced the two. (Um, can we say best friend *ever*?)

Though [godparents](#) play an important religious role in a child's life -- they're traditionally charged with protecting the family's faith -- modern parents often use the title as a way to honor a special friend in their child's life.

As [The Sunday Times](#) reported, "The couple's choice of godparents sends a clear signal that for the younger royals it is friendship, not social status, that counts." Hear hear!

Still, the couple may make room for tradition just yet: Royals typically have five or six godparents, so Harry, Pippa and other members of the royal family might make the cut -- but we probably won't know until baby George's christening on October 23.

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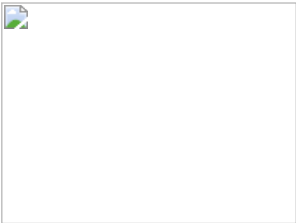


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