

PAINT BOOKSHELF (left) From top to bottom: **Blue box** painted in Resene Lustacryl in Resene Takaka and **animal** in Resene Sante Fe. **Books** in Resene Tussock and Resene Twilight. **Blue storage tub** in Resene Half Resolution Blue. **Felt marker pen pot** in Resene Twilight. **Round basket** in Resene Travis, **horse** in Resene Hobbush. **Small crate** in Resene Ayers Rock. **Book** in Resene Sante Fe, **elephant** in Resene Takaka. **Storage tub** in Resene Hobbush.

BOOKSHELF (right) From top to bottom: **Round basket** in Resene Twizel. **Pencil pot** in Resene Takaka. **House decoration** in Resene Half Resolution Blue, books in Resene Twilight, Resene Ayers Rock, Resene Tussock and Resene Half Resolution Blue. **Storage box** in Resene Tussock, rhino in Resene Twilight. **Plant pot** in Resene Ayers Rock. **Pink dish** in Resene Hobbush.

Playing is not only fun it's also essential for a child's healthy brain development. Max out the space

Kid's corner

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Wall (opposite) Resene SpaceCote in Resene Half Parchment. **Floor** Resene Travis with Resene Half Parchment mixed with Resene FX Paint Effects to create marbled floor. **Bench seat** Resene Half Resolution Blue. **Bookshelves** Resene Bullwhip. **Table** Resene Tussock. **Stools** Resene Ayers Rock and Resene Twilight. **Side table** Resene Twizel with small crate in Resene Twilight. **Animals on floor** Resene Ayers Rock, Resene Tussock, Resene Lustacryl in Resene Takaka and Resene Sante Fe. **Toy box** (below) Resene Twizel with planter in Resene Travis. **Rhino** in Resene Twilight and box in Resene Takaka. **Lioness** in Resene Sante Fe.

Magnetic picture hangers

To create the magnetic picture hangers, you will need two pieces of fine pine slightly larger than the size of the picture. You will also need some twine, ribbon or string cut to your desired length, some magnetic strips and glue. Paint the pieces of wood, then glue the ends of the twine to the inside of a piece of wood. Glue the magnetic strips to the wood. Repeat by gluing the magnetic strip to the other piece of the wood, ensuring the magnetic strips line up on both pieces. Lay the picture onto the back piece of wood with the twine hanger. Lay the other piece of wood on top and the two pieces of wood will join together magnetically. Hang on the wall.

Giraffe picture hanger in Resene Ayers Rock. **Zebra picture hanger** in Resene Hobbush.

To hang the pictures directly onto the wall, use Resene FX Magnetic Magic as a basecoat to create a magnetic wall and use quality magnets to attach your pictures.

CREDITS Round cream cushion from Kmart. Lilac cushion cover from H&M. Animal pictures, books, skipping rope, plants, markers, pencils and wooden animals all stylist's own.

Having a space at home for your little ones to let their imaginations run free and somewhere to store toys, games and craft items is a great opportunity to have some fun and be bold.

This gender-neutral playroom's floor and walls are painted in neutral Resene Half Parchment, with colour added through furniture and accessories to bring the space alive. The coordinated palette is created by repeating the colours evenly throughout the room.

Playroom essentials

Having shelves in a playroom is not only handy for storing items it also keeps things tidy and makes it easy for your little ones to access everything. Smaller storage tubs, baskets and boxes are better for kids to find things than big containers, where they have to pull everything out to find what they want.

A small table and chairs or stools are essential items for your kids to craft and play games. Whether it's a reading nook, a bean bag in a corner or small chair having somewhere for your child to sit and read a book is an easy way to encourage reading and some chill-out time.

Animal coat rack

Make an animal coat rack by taking a piece of plywood or pine and paint in your desired Resene colour. Take three plastic animals and cut them in half so you're only using the front. Paint with two coats of your desired colour, then glue the animal halves to wood.

Canvas art

Creating your own artwork can be a fun project to do with your children. Take two art canvases and paint them in a solid colour using Resene testpots. Using some removable sticker adhesive, draw or trace the letters for your words onto the sticker and cut out. Stick them to the painted canvas. Smooth down all corners so there's no paint leakage. Paint the top colour onto each canvas over the letters and leave to dry. Once dry, peel the sticker letters off to reveal the Resene colour.

My Happy Place canvas (opposite) Words in Resene Sante Fe and background colour in Resene Takaka. **Be Kind canvas** (above) Words in Resene Resolution Blue, background in Resene Twilight.



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