



Welcome

to a special edition of LMNOP, dedicated to all things animal. We had so much fun compiling this issue. Especially photographing the babies for our Heavenly Creatures story. All of them were just delightful and were happy to smile and laugh for the camera. Thank you babies!

New in this issue of LMNOP we present our first Minor Details column by Jennifer Ward. Each quarter Jennifer will contribute stories from Brooklyn, NY, keeping us up-to-date with what's happening in her corner of the world. In her first column she shares some great animal finds.

In Mammal Mamas you'll read some interesting snippets about some wild mums. You'll discover our worlds are not so different. The animal kingdom rely on their family and friends to support them just as much as we do in the human world. Fascinating reading ...

And as always, a huge thank you to everyone who has subscribed and contributed to this third issue of LMNOP. I believe it's the best issue yet!

So let your imagination run wild – you'll find lots of inspiration in the following pages. And take a trip to the zoo sometime soon and reconnect with some wonderful creatures!

Jenny Lacey
Editor



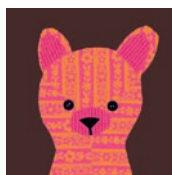
We show you some of the cutest animal onesies around.
pg 23



CELEBRATING ANIMALS



PLAY with all our safari finds.
pg 7



UK artist Lisa Jones shares some of her creature comforts.
pg 3



There's plenty of leftovers on,
pg 26



Wise owl buys!
pg 27



Come inside Stav Hatchett's Messy Room.
pg 5

lmnop

LAUGH • MAKE • NURTURE • ORGANISE • PLAY



Amy, Hunter, Ella, Emma, & Chloe
Photographed by Ian MacPherson

lmnop.com.au

ISSUE 3

ODDS AND ENDS



SWEET GREETINGS

Send animal-inspired birthday wishes with these delightful eco-friendly letterpress cards. The charming illustrations are originals by Lisa Zuraw.

Sweetbeets, US\$5.50 each
sweetbeets.com



lmnop 2

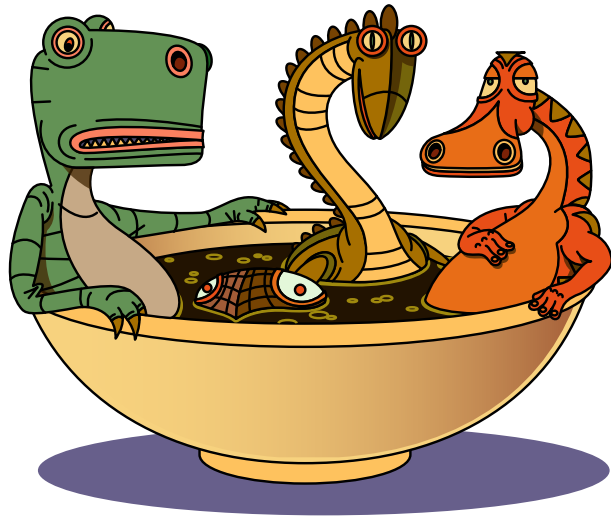


Illustration by Mark Fisher

Call for entrées

Bob's Your Uncle is looking for recipe submissions written by children to feature in an illustrated book titled *Dinosaur Soup*. Simply ask your child to write down (or just tell you!) how to make his or her favourite dish. But don't feel tempted to help them! The more creative the recipe the better. Bob's Your Uncle will design and lay out the recipes. Due for release later this year. Get cooking!

Send submissions to recipes@bobsyouruncle.com along with your child's name, age and address.

Run wild in bioME 5

BioME 5 Animal Alphabet Project is the brainchild of two architectural designers who have blended imagination and learning to create fun fashion for kids. Each T-shirt is a fusion of vibrant colours, bold letters and curious creatures. As an added treat, the name of each animal is printed in inverse orientation, clearly readable from the little one's vantage point. **LMNOP readers: save 10% on bioME 5.** Purchase any bioME 5 products before 24 June 08 and save 10% off your total order online (in addition to the shipping deals). Visit biome5.com and use the Coupon Code: LMNOP when checking out.

DINOS ON SHOW

Dinosaurs recently moved into the Australian Museum in Sydney. An exciting new exhibition that boasts 10 full skeletons, 8 life-size models, and a gigantic animated projected scene that recreates a real dinosaur stampede. Experience dinosaurs in a whole new way! For details visit australianmuseum.net.au



Animals A to Z

Bob's Your Uncle have combined artistic forces with illustrator Mark Fisher, to create this bright and engaging set of animal alphabet flashcards. Unique animal features are celebrated. Trivia and interesting facts are noted. Your child won't help but be mesmerised by these characters.

Bob's Your Uncle, US\$35, bobsyouruncle.com

Paper Source are well known for their easy to assemble d-i-y stationery kits. This animal card-making kit is perfect for home-made birthday invitations or thank-you cards. Their funny flapping mouths and beaks are designed to be made by kids with a little help from an adult! Each kit makes 10 cards and all you'll need is a glue stick. Paper-source.com, US\$14.50



STICKERS STAMP SETS

Decorate your envelopes with these darling animal stamp stickers from Three Potato Four. Made in Japan, they come 25 to a sheet. Send a bunny, pelican or panda to your penpal and we bet you'll make their day.

Three Potato Four, US\$6 per sheet
threepotatofourshop.com



CREATURE COMFORT

Lisa began turning her illustrations into greeting cards in 2000. Produced primarily for family and friends, her designs soon found their way into stores across Europe!

Lisa's *Wigwam* collection is printed by using vegetable derived inks on 100% recycled paper. The first range designed for the collection was *Kapok Creatures*, (shown right) – a salute to stuffed animals made from retro fabrics in the 70s. A 20th century studio pottery supplied inspiration for the second range, *Patterned Pals*, (shown above).

It's obvious this successful artist finds comfort in the creatures she creates. Visit lisajonescards.com for stockists and to view her entire collection of gorgeous cards.



Brian



Lisa at her studio in London.



Rita



Elsa



Henrietta



"We originally began printing cards with a laughably high-minded eye to design, intending to make only intelligent cards for adults. Though the few animals in the range soon proved most popular, their growth was due far more to our obvious enjoyment in devising a crazy cast of characters than any market-driven response."



Monkey business

This cheeky monkey with a light coloured belly has transformed kids' rooms into jungles and sparked dreams of far-away places since 1951. Designed by Kay Bojesen, this beloved European classic is handmade of teak and limba. And he measures 20cm in height. The prankster does have friends – a bear and an elephant. Buy alone or collect the whole trio.

Kay Bojesen for Rosendahl monkey, C\$214
Enfant Terrible, enfantterribleshop.com

Meet Stav Hatchett

HUDSON'S MUM

A dream came true for this mum when she opened the doors to her Messy Room.

PHOTOGRAPHED BY Ian MacPherson



Stav sources a beautiful array of timeless treasures in her store.

LMNOP: How were you inspired to start your business?

SH: I was a Womenswear Buyer prior to having Hudson and I really wanted to continue working (once I started a family) but I didn't want the pressures of working for a major company. I have always dreamed of opening my own store where I could use my skills, enjoy sourcing products, merchandise a beautiful space and help customers.

LMNOP: What's your biggest seller?

SH: That's a really hard question because when something new comes in at My Messy Room we get excited about it. We sell lots of different things, from newborn to 10-year-olds fashion, children's interiors through to unique gifts. A best-seller for the week could be a new baby vintage dress, a retro lampshade or a new book.

LMNOP: What advice would you give to other mums trying to start a business?

SH: Ensure your family is 100% supportive of what you are doing. Be sure of your vision and research your market. Write down your goals or objectives and keep within them. Keep a budget and manage it. Assume you will be working late hours in the first year and not making wages for yourself because it will go back into the business.

LMNOP: What's your biggest challenge as a mum?

SH: Managing time and keeping a balance. Like any mum, there are just never enough hours in the day and it's very hard to balance it all. If anyone has any tips, call me!

LMNOP: The best piece of advice you'll ever give to Hudson?

SH: To experience every moment and have an empathy for others.

LMNOP: What do you and Hudson like to do together?

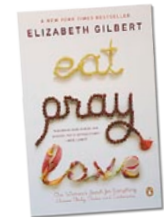
SH: Hudson is very active so our days together are busy. He loves going for a walk/ride on his trike, going to the park, helping me in the kitchen and reading a book while snuggling into my lap.

**My Messy Room, 111a Smith St, Summer Hill, NSW
(02) 9798 3233, mymessyroom.com.au**



I couldn't live without

Hudson wakes every morning and the first thing he asks is to make a 'noo noo' (cup of tea). I sit him on the counter, he puts in the teabag and I add the water.



What we're reading at the moment

At the moment, I'm reading 'Eat, Pray, Love' by Elizabeth Gilbert and Hudson is loving 'The Happy Man and His Dump Truck'.



When I have 30 minutes to myself

I buy a magazine (usually an interiors mag) and then race off to get a quick pedicure. It's my one luxury!



Animal House



Bowling buddies, \$14.95
My messy room, 02 9798 3233



Papoose friends, \$15.95 each
Monkey puzzle, 02 9799 7101

ANIMAL A-LIST

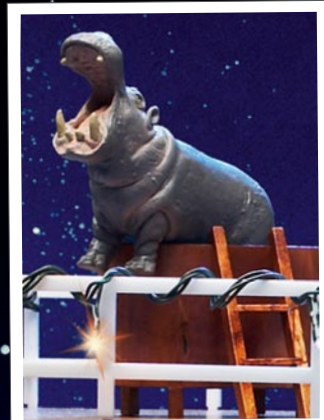
Pool area: Dragon fly & crab, \$3.95 each, Monkey Puzzle, (02) 9799 7101.
Pig, stylist's own. Schleich dolphin, \$5.95, Monkey Puzzle. Crocodile & elephant, stylist's own. Tiger finger puppet, US\$5, cherylasmith.etsy.com.
Meerkats, HobbyCo, www.hobbyco.com.au. Penguin, stylist's own.

Living Room: Schleich owl & squirrel, HobbyCo. Schleich bunny, \$3.95, Monkey Puzzle. Frog & cat flipping animals, \$3.50 each, mypoppet.com.au. Zebra, rooster & hen, stylist's own.

Bathroom: Schleich penguins, HobbyCo, www.hobbyco.com.au

Bedroom & balcony: Schleich monkey & deer, HobbyCo. Cubs, stylist's own. Possum, \$4.95, and Schleich camel, \$8.95, Monkey Puzzle. Giraffe, stylist's own.

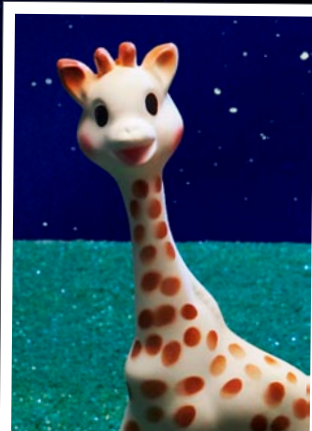
Outside stairs & roof top: Schleich swan, HobbyCo. Barrel of Monkeys, \$6.95, and centipede, \$3.95, Monkey Puzzle.



Schleich hippo, \$8.95
Monkey puzzle, 02 9799 7101



Schleich sheep \$5.95 each
Monkey puzzle, 02 9799 7101



Sophie the giraffe, \$25
Tiny people, 07 5599 4595

PLAY



Toys, craft and stationery to tickle the imagination.

Photographed by IAN MACPHERSON



ANIMAL FOR A DAY

These beautiful masks are made of sturdy recycled cardboard. Illustrated by Julie Klear and handmade by artisans in Marrakesh.

Zid Zid, \$19.95 each

My Messy Room, (02) 9798 3233



PUPPY LOVE

This puppy created by Japanese artist Nara Yoshitomo is guaranteed to follow you around, not make a mess and obey your every order!

Vilac, \$135

Play Imports for stockist, (02) 6494 3323



BEETLE RACER

The Click Clack Tree is home to the lady birds that roll along its tracks from top to bottom. Fascinating to watch!

Plan Toys, US\$43.95

fatbraintoy.com



LAYERED PUZZLE

A beautiful three layer puzzle for 3-5 year olds. Designed by the very clever Kay Luck.

George Luck, \$19.95

Monkey Puzzle, (02) 9799 7101



PLAY



WATER CREATURES

Watering the garden has never been this much fun. An elephant, a fish and even a slow snail will help get the job done quickly.

Kitschkitchen, \$14 each

Kek, kek.com.au for stockist

OSCAR THE ELEPHANT

He's an enormous elephant with a sweet, gentle nature! Handmade from cotton velvet in Montréal by Erica Perrot. Oscar would make a great first pet and a comfortable pillow at naptime.

Raplpla, US\$35

mahardrygoods.com





MONKEY PROTECTON

A cheeky monkey friend who'll be sure to keep you dry on rainy days.

Vilac, \$37.75
Play Imports for stockist, (02) 6494 3323



PORTABLE BUG WATCHER

Keep your bugs close at hand.

Insect Lore, \$8.50
Hopscotch, (02) 9960 5733



CALLING ALL BIRDS

Use these pretty, wooden bird whistles to call other species into your backyard.

Vilac, \$8.75 each
Play Imports for stockist, (02) 6494 3323

PLAY



ROCKIN BEAR

Rufus is sure to rock your little ones' world. A white lacquered polar bear, made with love from veneered plywood and natural oak.

Netto Collection, US\$295
nettocollection.com

HOMEMADE LOVE

This quirky, flower-eyed bear is handmade from pre-loved woollen jumpers. He wears a little his heart on his bottom to remind you he's been made with love ...

My Poppet, \$65
mypoppet.com.au



GONE FISHING

These tiny blocks are the perfect size to stash in your purse. Keep your tot busy at the café with this pretty wooden puzzle. It has a lake scene on one side and a village on the reverse.

Bajo, \$21.95
Monkey Puzzle, (02) 9799 7101



ANIMAL SECURITY

These guys provide high security for little fingers, protecting them from slamming doors. They're made from foam and are an affordable alternative to a doorman.

Ikaboo, \$9.95 for a set of 3
ikaboo.com.au

Photographed by IAN MACPHERSON



Enchanted trees

Bring a little nature into your child's room with an Enchanted Tree from Cocoon Couture. This shelf stand would look charming on top of a bookshelf or chest of drawers. The Enchanted Tree's leaves are vintage wallpaper inspired patterns. A sleepy owl and an early bird happily nest in its long branches. Each tree is made from environmentally friendly plywood, and beautifully finished with non-toxic varnish and inks that are safe for children and the environment.

Enchanted Tree, Cocoon Couture, \$89
cocooncouture.com for stockists worldwide

minor details

on animals by Jennifer Ward



A. CROCODILE ROCK

Two things that every child loves are a seesaw and a friend coming over to play. Part of the new Animal Forms Series by John Denis O'Leary, this seesaw is sure to give way to giggles and smiles. Utilising bold shapes, bright colours and solid construction, this croc can live indoors or out, and offers a playful nod to a classic design.

Croc Rock See-Saw, £325
jdoldesign.co.uk

B. WALK THIS WAY

Infants often quickly get bored in stationary walkers and ones with too many bells and whistles. The elegant and simple style of this new walker from Plan Toys is playfully sophisticated. When children push this toy, two woodpeckers peck up and down to create sound. It stimulates children to walk and develop their gross motor skill. Launches August 08.

Wood Pecker Walker, US\$80
plantoy.com

C. CORKTASTIC

In today's world, going green has become an important issue in many households. DCI has come out with a line of toys made from wood chip cork. This fun and energetic line consists of a giraffe, elephant and lion with circus star wheels. A simple idea that can roll a long way!

Corkels – Animal Circus, US\$12
haskerhome.com

For more Minor Details visit
minordetailsnyc.com



Sprouting creatures

Sproutdesign have reworked and reprinted Pam Walker's fabric designs from the 70s, so kids today can still enjoy her playful designs. The product range includes 9 fabric prints. Amongst them you'll find bold, colourful Giraffes, Caterpillars and Tortoises. All shown above.

The fabrics are the perfect weight for light upholstery, lampshades, bedlinen and clothing. Available in widths of 145cm. \$55 per metre.

The range printed under the label **Sproutdesign** can be found at One Small Room in Adelaide. Visit onesmallroom.com.au for more details.



“What’s the time Mr Wolf?”

Mr Wolf waits at the end of the playground, and replies to the children’s call, “It’s 5 o’clock.”

The children pace five steps forward. They call out again, “What’s the time Mr Wolf?” The wolf senses the children are getting closer.

He turns and snarls, “It’s dinner time!”

Everyone scampers back to the start line, squealing with excitement.

Left to right. EMMA: See following page for details.

ELLA: See following page for details.

CHLOE: Lion long sleeve tee, \$34.95, and Footloose denim jean, \$59.95, Itch Design, itchdesign.com.au Silver & white Polish shoe, \$88, Chook Leaf, chookleaf.com

RILEY: See following page for details.

All animal masks, \$22 each, Un Lutin dand Mon Jardin, Lola et Moi, (02) 9810 1391.

*Photographed by Ian MacPherson
Styled by Pearl Fay*

This page. **RILEY:** Giraffe tee, \$18, **bioME 5**, biome5.com
Chocolate cord pant, \$69.95,
Mill & Mia, My Messy Room,
(02) 9798 3233. Pink gumboot
models own.

Opposite page. **EMMA:** Birds
in the tree tee, \$45, **Danefae**,
Strawberry skirt, \$53.55, **Ej
Sikke Lej**, babygoesretro.com.
au Red Pullet boot, \$180,
Chook Leaf, chookleaf.com

HUNTER: Tropical forest boat
neck tee, \$34.95, **Eggheads**,
Slider denim jean, \$59.95, **Itch
Design**, itchdesign.com.au

All animal masks, \$22 each,
Un Lutin dand Mon Jardin,
Lola et Moi, (02) 9810 1391.



Left to right. OLLIE:
Elephant tee, \$24.95,
Miatom, miatom.com.au
Slider denim jean, \$59.95,
Itch Design, itchdesign.com.au Silver & white
Mallee shoe, \$107, Chook
Leaf, chookleaf.com
EMMA: See previous page
for details.

ELLA: Sasha duck dress,
\$74.95, Pink Chicken,
ittybittyuppy.com.au All
other items, models own.

All animal masks, \$22
each, Un Lutin dand
Mon Jardin, Lola et Moi,
(02) 9810 1391.



AMY: Red stocking tee,
\$25.97, Willow & Finn,
and Pussy cat circle
dress, \$32.47, Moppit,
ittybittyuppy.com.au
Pink tights models' own.
Pink & red Spanish stripe
shoe, \$69, Chook Leaf,
chookleaf.com

Mammal Mamas

Interesting snippets about some wild mums

WATER BABIES

Hippos prefer to breed in the water. The gestation period is 8 months - slightly shorter than for humans - yet the hippo calf is about 10 times larger than a human baby! If the calf is born underwater, she pushes it to the surface to breathe because newborns can only hold their breath for 40 seconds at a time. Mums nurse their babies, even underwater, for about eight months.

Number of young at birth: 1
Weight at birth: 25-45 kg

PIGGYBACK RIDE?

Giant anteaters go solo until they're ready to mate. During childbirth, the mother stands up, propped up by her tail. Her baby, a pup, is born with a full coat of hair and loves to get piggyback rides from its mother. It hops off its mother's

back for nursing and, as it gets older, spends time exploring before heading off into the world on its own at two years of age.

Number of young at birth: 1
Weight at birth: 1.4 kg

EARLY FIRST STEPS

A camel calf weighs about 37 kg at birth. Amazingly, within half an hour of being born, the calf is able to walk beside its mother. What a fast learner!

Number of young at birth: 1
Weight at birth: 37 kg

BABYSITTER'S CLUB

Meerkats share two important roles: guard duty and baby-sitting duty. Mums spend time foraging to supply pups with milk, while the other adults pitch in to take care of the young. When the mob is on

the move, all the mum's take turns transporting the pups, carrying them by the scruff of their necks to the next location.

Number of young at birth: 1 to 6
Weight at birth: 35 grams

A PAINFUL DELIVERY?

Porcupine babies, or porcupettes, are not born with sharp or barbed quills. Instead, the porcupette's quills are soft and bendable, gradually hardening in the first few days after birth. They stay with their mums for a few months before moving out of home.

Number of young at birth: 1 to 3
Weight at birth: 3% of mum's

ONE CHILD POLICY

Pandas like to be by themselves most of the year and have a very short breeding season. Females give birth to one or

two cubs, which are dependent on their mothers during the first few years of life. In the wild, mother pandas will care for only one of the young. But in panda facilities, keepers help hand-raise any twin cubs.

Number of young at birth: 1 or 2
Weight at birth: 113 grams

SINGLE MUMS

Most otters are born in a den with their eyes closed. The mother takes care of them, often chasing the father away after their birth. The babies, called pups, open their eyes and start exploring the den at about one month, start swimming at two months, and stay with their mother and siblings until they are about one year old.

Number of young at birth: 1 to 5
Size at birth: From 120 grams



Orange Rhino discovered!

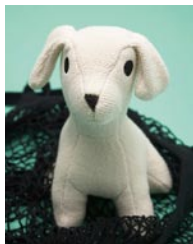
Alli and Jess Louwagie own Orange Rhino – a unique tough-wearing distinctive kids' label. Their 3 year-old son Sam helped name the label after a combination of his favourite colour and favourite animal.

Orange Rhino produces head-turningly-hip apparel that rivals the cuteness of the kids who wear it. Vintage patterns and retro flair mingle with modish colors and contemporary lines.

Made from 100% certified organic cotton, and ultra-soft cotton options in onesies/ bodysuits, tees, and hoodies!

Organic baby onesies, \$28
orangerhinokids.com

**Organic
Cuddles**



Bring home a foundlings animal and mother earth will love you for it. These cuddly soft toys are certified safe for our planet – made from 100% USA-grown organic (pesticide-free) unbleached cotton, and filled with 100% unbleached cotton fibres. For added safety, softness and adorability, the eyes are embroidered. Each little foundling is machine washable. Puppies, bunnies and teddy bears are all available from **Lola et Moi**, lolaetmoi.com.au

Animal friends

*These fun loving friends are looking for good homes.
Each little pet is house trained and great with kids.
Take yours home today.*

Photographed by Ian MacPherson & Styling by Jenny Lacey



Pet cookie cutters, **\$12.95**
me2me2.com



Melamine Zoo tray by Shinzi Katoh, **US\$32**
threepotatofourshop.com



Susi sauce tee by Monstar, **\$29**
mypoppet.com.au



Wild coat hangers, **\$22.95 for set of 3**
ikaboo.com.au



Trees Collection bedding sets, **from US\$115**
boodalee.com



Tee P Utility Hanger, **\$159.95**, kidsgiftlist.com.au
Lion, **\$48.50**, byrachael@bigpond.com



Enchanted tree, \$89, cocooncouture.com
Apples, \$4 each, Haba, daddylonglegstoys.com



Rubbabu Rollers, \$9.95
Monkey Puzzle, (02) 9799 7101



Wipeable vinyl animals, \$8.95 each
Monkey Puzzle, (02) 9799 7101



Bunny, \$48.50, clothing separates \$22 for 3
byrachael@bigpond.com



Red Riding Hood set, \$68, Les Zingueurs
lolaetmoi.com.au



Porcelain Pendants, US\$24
katagolda.com



Organic puppy, \$50, Peacetoys
lolaetmoi.com.au



Three blind mice brooch, \$30
madebywhite.com.au

Crocodile Rock, meet Amanda Panda.



Itch Design by Jodi Walker has introduced high-quality children's bedding to the collection with Amanda Panda and Crocodile Rock. These bold, lovable characters will brighten any child's surroundings without compromising parents' stylish taste!

Amanda Panda was inspired by a funny doodle Jodi used to draw. Her daughter would collect the scraps of paper and decorate her bedroom walls with them. A fun panda design was born for girls and Jodi later developed Crocodile Rock for boys, a cheeky grinning croc who doesn't snap! Printed on 250-thread count, 100% cotton, Itch Design bedding sets include a single bed cover and matching pillowcase.

Itch Design, \$120, itchdesign.com.au



SPRING
SUMMER

www.itchdesign.com.au

Itch

LEFTOVERS

PATTERN PALS

No sewing machine required to sew up these retro birdies, turtles, butterflies or snails. A cute tri-fold postcard includes easy-to-follow instructions and diagrams along with full size pattern pieces. These lovely wee wonderfals are by Hillary Lang.

Wee Wonderfals, US\$5 each
www.weewonderfals.com



FUZZY, FUNNY, FELT HAIR CLIPS

Janet Choi hand-cuts and hand-sews each of these beautiful hair accessories herself. A delicate fabric covered button is attached to a snap clip, securely sewn inside 100% wool felt. A gentle and much prettier version of the store bought kind!

Sweet Fuzzies, US\$6 each
sweetfuzzies.com



Visit us for a unique range of beautiful toys and gifts.

13 Lackey Street
Summer Hill NSW 2130
(02) 9799 7101

monkeypuzzletoys.com.au

Don't cry, baby!
We have \$7 flat rate shipping Australia-wide!

sookie baby



Gifts and essentials for mother and baby

bib by Bask Home



www.sookiebaby.com

PARTY ANIMALS

Without a doubt, one of the most joyous of Mexican traditions is that of the Piñata. Filled with candy and small toys, then strung up high, party guests are blindfolded and invited to whack, whack, whack! Until finally, it cracks to squeals of delight and all the party animals come raining down.



PINATA

\$35, Queen Bee Balloon & Party Shop, (02) 9810 4058

1. SAFARI BUBBLE BATH
\$2.50, Queen Bee Balloon & Party Shop, (02) 9810 4058

2. FINGER PUPPETS
US\$5 each, Cheryl Smith cherylsmith.etsy.com

3. MAGNET CLIPS
\$13.95, for 6, My Poppet mypoppet.com.au

4. ANIMAL BADGES
\$5 each, Me and Amber meandamber.com

5. WOODEN COMPASS
\$2.50 each, Partyology partyology.com.au

6. ART PEG HANGERS
\$16.95 for 10, Corban & Blair corbanblair.com.au

7. SUCTION CLIPS
\$1.95 each, Urban Baby urbanbaby.com.au

8. RUBBER BANDS
\$6.50 for 6, My Poppet mypoppet.com.au

9. LOLLIPOP COVERS
\$2.50 each, Partylicious partylicious.com.au

online



www.biome5.com

When you visit this website you are in for a real treat! As you roll over the individual letters of the alphabet each makes a sound. B is for bear. He growls. D is for dog. And he barks. You'll also get to view bioME 5's great collection of fun fashion for kids and babies. Apparel is made with 100% certified organic cotton and made in sweatshop-free environments in the USA. Delivery within the US is free and international shipping is also free when you purchase 2 or more items. LMNOP readers: save 10% off your total order online when you purchase any bioME 5 products before 24.06.08. See page 2 for details.



www.bemboszoo.com

If it's raining outside and your trip to the zoo has just been cancelled jump online and visit this magical animal world instead. A stunning online interpretation of *Bembo's Zoo* a children's book by graphic designer Roberto de Vicq de Cumplich. Watch as animals constructed from Bembo letterforms grace your computer screen. Any adult who appreciates sophisticated art and fine design will want to add Bembo's Zoo to their favourites. This is font fun at its best.



www.nationalbadger.com

Christine Heinitz has created National Badger, a new website with the variety one would expect from a large scale online retailer but the personalised service of a specialised corner store. She offers an amazing selection of eccentric animal artworks on plywood panels. They come in a variety of sizes, with an extensive colour palette that lends itself to customisation. You'll be overwhelmed by the choice of wildlife available. Just ask for help and Christine will be only too happy to put together some suggestions for you. Personalising your child's room is now easy and affordable.



www.katagolda.com

Kata Golda creates the most precious handmade items using materials such as hand-dyed wool felt, porcelain, silk ribbons and stoneware. If you are looking for a personalised drawing book or a customised hand-stitched snail pencil case, you've come to the right place. Photo albums, cards, children's toys, pillows and pendants – you'll make several visits to this website before you place your order. There are so many tempting creations on offer, but here are some of our favourites: soft covered wool felt drawing book, photo pocket, a hand-stitched dog, and a stoneware mug complete with a removable felt cozy!

Kidstylefile

KSF loves LMNOP

kidstylefile.com.au

hopscotch

mosman nsw 2088 • ph 02 99605733 • fax 02 99607117

Shop at hopscotch

Quality handcrafted wooden & educational toys, accessories and furniture!

701 military road

www.hopscotchtoys.com.au

lmnop

LAUGH • MAKE • NURTURE • ORGANISE • PLAY

ISSUE 2

Claudia at Nutcote
Photographed by Lar MacPherson
lmnop.com.au

Subscribe

To subscribe to LMNOP, visit our website lmnop.com.au and enter your details. An online subscription is free.

Advertise

LMNOP offers 1/4 page, 1/2 page and full page advertisements. To make an enquiry, contact us at advertise@lmnop.com.au

Contribute

If you think your product could be used in a LMNOP feature or fashion story contact us at contribute@lmnop.com.au
We'd love to see it!

MAHAR DRYGOODS

handcrafted curiosities for children

WWW.MAHARDRYGOODS.COM



Ava wears Pixel Organics
Kitty, \$39.95
cinnamonbear.com.au



Matteo wears Pepperhem
Owl baby, US\$16
pepperhembaby.etsy.com



Josh wears Orange Rhino
Japanese Koi Fish, US\$28
orangerhinokids.com



Lucy wears My Little Dear
Green penguin, US\$9
mylittledear.etsy.com

Heavenly
creatures
Onesies for under ones



Remy wears Eight3one
T-Rez, \$32.95
ittybittyyuppy.com.au



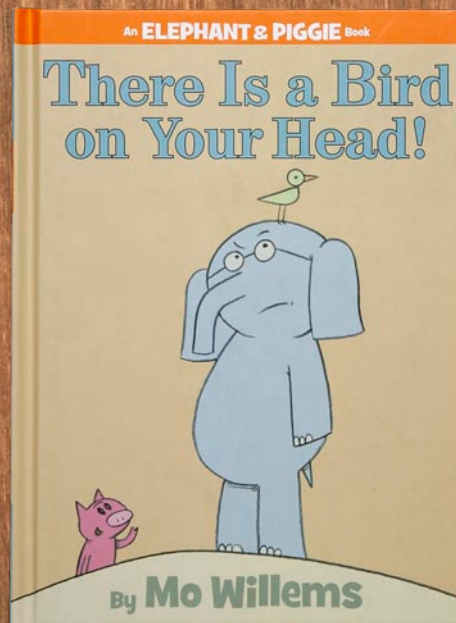
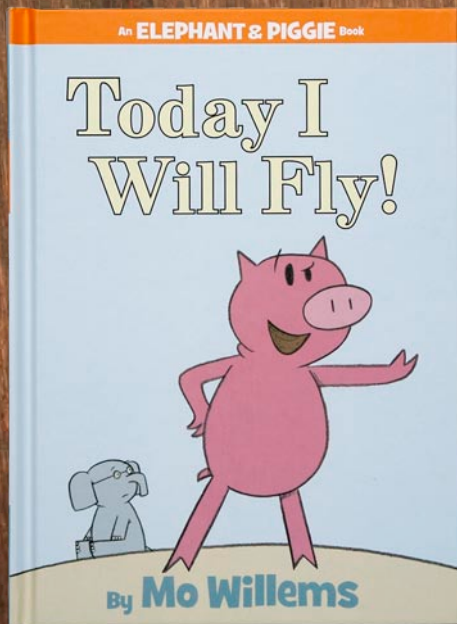
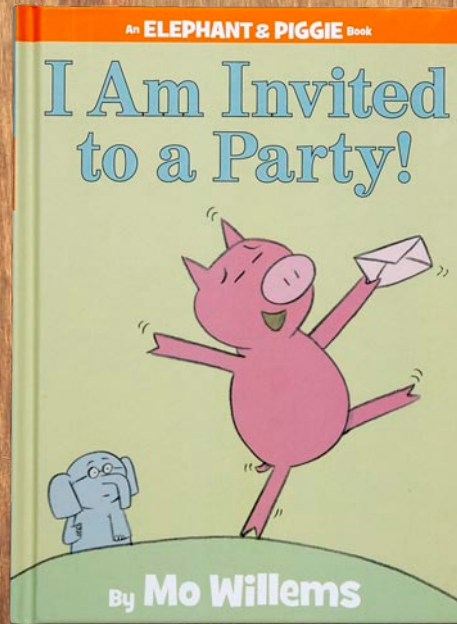
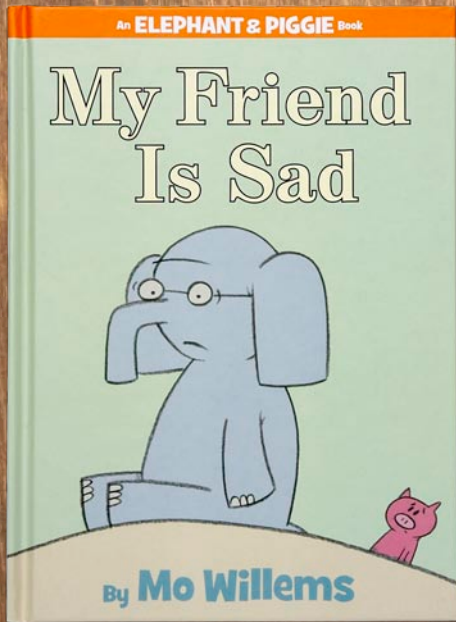
Misha wears Orange Rhino
Bird on sparkles, US\$28
orangerhinokids.com



Brody wears BioME 5
Kangaroo, US\$32
biome5.com



James wears Kit:Works
Orange owl, \$27.95
ittybittyyuppy.com.au



RETURN DATE	

**FROM THE LIBRARY OF
LMNOP**

**ELEPHANT AND PIGGIE
BOOKS**

by Mo Willems
US\$8.99
www.amazon.com

#1 *New York Times* bestselling author and illustrator Mo Willems is best known for his award-winning books, *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!* and *Knuffle Bunny: a cautionary tale*. Both are favourites here at the LMNOP library, but we guess that his *Elephant and Piggie* series, winner of the Theodor Suess Geisel medal, may overtake them in the popularity stakes.

The two main characters in this series might remind you of people you know. Elephant Gerald is overly cautious and sad. His best friend Piggie is an optimist and always the life of the party.

The text is ideal for beginner readers. The stories are beautifully simple, short and funny, bursting with Mo Willems' trademark emotion and humour.



Wildlife wall

The birth of a child can be the beginning of many things, but for the founder of National Badger, Christine Heinitz, it was an opportunity to bring a touch of wildlife to the nursery. Taking the magic of Narnia out of the closet and onto the walls, she began a collection of artwork, featuring delicately hand-painted animals which have been scanned and printed on watercolour paper, then mounted onto plywood discs. From Aardvark to Zebra, and available in 21 palettes and four different sizes, these will be a treasured addition to any child's kingdom.

National Badger, prices start at US\$16
www.nationalbadger.com

LEFTOVERS

NIGHT OWL! Ever find yourself going spare because your kids will not settle down and go to bed? Gwdihw, Night Owl Balm is scented with a special selection of essential oils that will leave your night owls feeling relaxed and calm. Simply rub onto their pulse points – using the warmth of your hands to melt the balm and release the oils. All Gwdihw balms are free from artificial chemicals and colorants – ideal for use by the whole family. So if they're not going to bed, you'll be feeling relaxed anyway.

Gwdihw, US\$6 Mahar DryGoods mahardrygoods.com



POCKET PETS

Girls of all ages will love these cute vintage baby animal pocket mirrors. Perfect party favors or they'd even make a great reward for being extra good!

Lark, \$4.95, larkmade.com.au



a helpful frog indeed

The Frog Pod® is a handy toy scoop that makes bathtime clean-up easy! He attaches to virtually any bathtub wall with one of three options: adhesive strips, suction cups, or screws.

The drain holes in the scoop allow toys to be rinsed and drained in bulk, reducing mould and mildew which often sends bath toys straight to the garbage. With other features such as a built-in shelf and handy web feet which can be used for hanging bath accessories, this is one frog you'll be glad to have stick around.

The Frog Pod, Boon, \$54.95, urbanbaby.com.au

ROLL UP ROLL UP

Boodalee make *big designs for little dreamers*, so make sure you check out their bed linen at boodalee.com

New to Boodalee's collection is their two-sided pillow. Two colourful graphics, silk-screened with nontoxic pigments – just flip over daily for a new look!

Circus Pillow, US\$32 Pillow cover only
US\$42 Pillow cover with eco-insert
boodalee.com



Bubble-icious

Ever wondered where retailers find the latest kids' fashion, shoes, toys and accessories? Step into the wonderful world of Bubble.

Bubble is a trade-only event which attracts retailers, buyers and media from around the world. Each event is carefully conceived as a focused trade show in a wonderful space, where retailers can meet exhibitors. On show is a global mix of fashion and toy brands.

The Bubble Kids Trade Show runs twice yearly in New York and London.

Upcoming Dates:
London 2-3 July
New York 3-5 August

Stay tuned for more about Bubble in the next issue of LMNOP.

For more information visit bubbletradeshows.com



owl wise

Left to right: Big Owl Tee, \$39, Ej sikke lej, babygoesretro.com.au. Jeffrey & Lester the Owl, \$32 each, Evie Lala, evielala.com.au. Red car stylist's own. Owl brooch, \$35, The Raisin did it, 0409 227 968. Small owl rattle, \$10, Kristen Doran, kristendoran.com. Owl pyjamas, \$44, Snoffs, babygoesretro.com.au. Good Night Sleep Tight game, \$39.95, Chelona, Monkey Puzzle (02) 9799 7101. Owl screen print artwork, \$30, The Raisin did it, 0409 227 968. Shortstop child's stool, \$125, In Your Room, My Messy Room, (02) 9798 3233. Owl baby onesie, US\$16, Pepperhem, pepperhembaby.etsy.com. Owl yellow singlet, \$15, The Raisin did it, 0409 227 968. Wise Owl Tee in pink, \$39.95, Ej sikke lej, babygoesretro.com.au. Owl kids tee, US\$16, Pepperhem, pepperhembaby.etsy.com. Wise Owl Tee in blue, \$39.95, Ej sikke lej, babygoesretro.com.au. Enchanted critter shelf stand, \$49, Cocoon Couture, cocooncouture.com. Little Hoot book, \$19.95, by Amy Kronse Rosenthal & Jen Corace, My Messy Room, (02) 9798 3233. Kwoozy mini owl, \$25, and hand-made owl, \$58, My Poppet, mypoppet.com.au. Funky owl hoodie, US\$35, Orange Rhino, orangerhinokids.com. Owls in red fabric, \$32 per metre, Kristen Doran, kristendoran.com



What's so special about... **MIA & BEAR**

As an only child, Mia is very independent and Bear has been her best buddy since she was born. Little Mia adores her galloping chocolate Labrador, who goes everywhere with her. And Bear certainly knows who's boss.

When the pair aren't running amuck in the park, splashing at the water's edge, or chasing a soccer ball in the park, you'll find them sharing toys, cuddles and laughs at home. Mia feeds Bear on her own and treats him like an important member of the family. You may even find her sharing her favourite picture book with Bear - if he manages to sit still long enough!

O IS FOR ORGANISE



Hanging around *The Tee P Utility Hanger* shown on *page 16* in this issue, can hold anything from books and toys, to nappy changing essentials. Hang it from the back of a door, at the end of a bed or cot, or even from a change table for extra storage. Available at kidsgiftlist.com.au for \$159.95.

TAMING YOUR STUFFED ANIMAL STORAGE DILEMMA

Does your child have too many stuffed animals? Of course they do! They seem to multiply by themselves don't they? And after a while finding a home for them each day becomes a chore. The clever folks at Boon Inc. have a practical and playful solution for rounding-up all those soft critters and getting them to do double duty.

The Animal Bag is an oversized, plush bag that is covered with large, transparent, zippered windows. Children can fill the bag with stuffed animals of all shapes and sizes then use the Animal Bag as a soft seat. Depending on how many inhabitants you have you might want to check out Boon's different styles: Oval, Otto and the deluxe Trio Elite.

The Animal Bag - Trio, US\$99
Boon, booninc.com



THE END