

CHECK THIS OUT!

our guide to interesting & essential bits & pieces

LOVE TO SHOP?

We're always looking for new and exciting products to feature in "Check This Out". If you know of a product or service that's amazing, incredibly useful, fun, cool or innovative, tell us about it so we can let other readers know. Drop us an email with "Check This Out" in the subject line to: editorial@kidsonthecoast.com.au and let us know the name of the product, where you saw it, what's so great about it and anything else you think we should know. Happy shopping!

ROCK ON!

Better than a nanny!

This unique Aussie invention will rock baby off to sleep in no time, simulating baby's favourite environment whether it be mother's womb, mother's heartbeat, a ride in the car or a boat on the water! Designed to soothe and relax unsettled babies while sending them safely off to the land of nod, the Lullabub cot rocking system is comprised of four modules which are placed under the leg of a standard cot, allowing it to rock automatically to the preselected rhythm. Also includes a remote control, automatic timer and night light. Order directly from www.babyhugs.com.au - rentals also available.



LIKE THE GOOD OLD DAYS

An innovative concept which gives your baby the feeling of total security as you bathe them. Fantastic for calming and soothing stressed-out or "windy" babies - they automatically relax into a foetal position as being in The Tummy Tub mimics the sensation of floating in the womb. For more info and local stockists, see www.sunros.com.au



BYE BYE BRUISED BANANAS

Many a fruit has come to an untimely end at the bottom of the school bag. Which is why one clever mum has created Fruity Faces, funky inflatable carry cases designed to carry and protect individual pieces of fruit. In two basic shapes - round for apples, nectarines, plums, grapes etc, and, uh, banana-shaped for bananas - the groovy designs put fun into fruit so kids (and Mums and Dads) eat more of it! Order online at www.fruityfaces.com.au

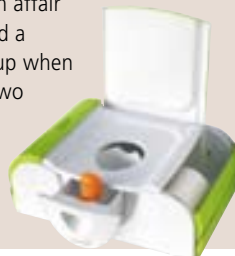


COLOURFUL CANDLES

They look just like ordinary birthday cake candles, but watch the surprise and delight on everyone's faces when you light them! These fun party candles burn with coloured flames - red, green, blue, purple or orange. Great for both adults' or children's parties. Available from Zalonie Gifts, Oasis Shopping Centre, Broadbeach.

THE POTTY WITH THE LOTTY

The Potty Bench from Boon Inc is a sleek and stylish affair that even includes a built-in toilet paper holder, and a pull-out receptacle for an easy and hygienic clean up when the mission's complete! The Potty Bench also has two enclosed storage areas for spare undies, wipes etc. Close the lid and it transforms into a handy stool which can hold up to 125kg. Available from Babies Galore, Parkwood. \$69.95 RRP



GET ORGANISED

Long day, cranky toddler, disconnected phone and electricity due to forgotten bills - no wonder Brigitte Hinneberg decided to create this magic folder that transformed her from busy, disorganised working mum to the envy of her friends! It's an easy-to-manage household and personal information organiser, complete with funny quotes, essential hints and sections that will keep you totally on top of home maintenance, housework, meals, children, finances, personal grooming, pets and more. "Did You Remember The Milk?" is available from Angus and Robertson and Dymocks Bookstores for \$59 RRP. www.didyourememberthemilk.com.au

MESS-FREE COLOURING

The Mess Free "Colour Wonder" range from Crayola features brightly coloured markers which are colour-free, unless used on the specific Colour Wonder paper (ie no mess on walls, floors or carpets)! Exciting for little ones as the images in the special Colour Wonder books are invisible until revealed with the Colour Wonder Markers. Also now available in Disney packs (6 Colour Wonder markers and a 24 page book) eg The Little Mermaid, Finding Nemo, Disney Princess and Disney/Pixar Cars, at major retailers including Target, Kmart and Big W.

