creative station

Industrial vintage is a stylish and utilitarian option for your child's "work area"

lt's easy as pie to upcycle an old photo frame — all it takes is a light sand, using sandpaper, and a lick of vibrant colour. We used Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Foggy Grey and Resene Gorse.

2 The hard graft of this project went into the old school desk and chair. They were both covered in layers of paint when bought second-hand for \$40 three years ago. So the main job was stripping off the paint, layer by layer, using Resene paint stripper. But finally the beautiful stainless steel legs were revealed. Then it was time for a thorough sand of the wooden sections, using various grades of sandpaper, and painting with Resene Waterborne Smooth Surface Sealer and two coats of Resene Enamacryl Gloss tinted to Resene Keppel.

The peg board was the finishing touch. We bought it from the local hardware store, cost: \$64 for a 1.2m by 2.4m sheet, and coated it with Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Japonica. The great thing about peg boards is that it's super easy to hang shelves and tools, and they can be rearranged as your child's needs change.



From top left: Resene Japonica, Resene Gorse, Resene Foggy Grey and Resene Keppel.

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