



head space

top tip

Kids spend a lot of time playing on the floor so opt for plenty of cushions and rugs. Make sure rugs have a non-slip underlay for safety.

Headboards can be an expensive addition to a room, particularly if there are multiple beds to accommodate. A cost-effective and clever way to add headboards – and a bit of extra colour – to any room is to paint them in. Plus, it's quick and easy to repaint a headboard if your child outgrows their bed or you are updating to a new room look.

Don't be afraid to think outside a traditional rectangle – the beauty of painting a headboard is that you can make it any shape or design you want. Geometrics are easy to mask up but you could also stencil, trace or draw your design freehand.

For practical, useful storage without taking up floor space, consider adding a shelf painted in the same colour or try painting your headboard with Resene FX Magnetic Magic paint so your child can decorate it with their favourite magnets.

Left: The warm grey Resene Surrender walls and floor in this room are given a dramatic lift with a Resene Blue Night headboard. The soft green of the bedside table painted in Resene Sea Nymph plays off the bedlinen to create a fresh, pulled together look anchored by the strength of the midnight blue.

Have fun painting animal figurines to match or contrast your colour palette. These ones are painted Resene Sea Nymph.

Resene Surrender 

Resene Sea Nymph 

Resene Blue Night 

An angular grey headboard in Resene Jumbo stands out in this soft pastel room with walls and flooring in Resene Cest La Vie.



Resene FX Write-on Wall Paint can be written on with whiteboard markers and cleaned off with a soft cloth. It can be applied as a topcoat over your favourite painted Resene colour.

- Resene Green Spring
- Resene Secrets
- Resene Rivergum
- Resene Paddock

outside the box

This simple yet effective headboard 'frame' was made from three lengths of flat profile skirting board painted in Resene Green Spring and screwed into the wall, which is painted in Resene FX Blackboard Paint. The beauty of a blackboard wall is that there's no limit to how your child can personalise it with chalk – and starting afresh is as simple as a quick wipe with a clean, damp cloth. Main wall in Resene FX Blackboard Paint, left wall in Resene Green Spring, floor in Resene Secrets, hook rack in Resene Rivergum, toy box in Resene Secrets and Resene Rivergum, headboard outline in Resene Green Spring, pendant lamp in Resene Paddock and nightstand in Resene Rivergum (drawers) and Resene Paddock.

Resene FX Blackboard Paint