

BATHROOM
design notes

TILES 9204 white matt wall tiles, \$29/m², 115397 small subway feature tiles, \$85/m², and 92480 grey vein floor tiles, \$55/m², all Tiles by Kate.

VANITY Polytec Prime Oak Woodmatt with Quantum Quartz Alpine White benchtop. Custom made by Luxe Joinery. Bugle handles in Matt Black, \$60.50, Kethy.

TAPWARE Pegassi M basin set in Brushed Brass, \$916, Faucet Strommen.

BASIN Eden oval basin, \$350, Loughlin Furniture.

BATH Silkstone Norsk bath \$6400, Faucet Strommen.

TOILET Arcisan 'Synergii', \$748, Bathroom Collective.

LIGHTING Finn I pendant, \$99.95, Beacon Lighting.

Double *act*

Hidden features and timeless design make this family bathroom the perfect space to soak in.

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For families with young children, the bathroom is a busy place. And while practicality is important, a good design ensures the bathroom can be a calm, relaxing space too, says Sally Paterson, director of interior design company Heliconia. By incorporating a laundry chute, open shower and freestanding bath, this bathroom achieves all this without compromising on the clean aesthetic the owners wanted. "This is the main bathroom for the kids, so it needed to be family-friendly but still beautiful when viewed from the hallway," says Sally.

Located inside the cabinet on the right-hand side of the custom vanity, the laundry chute is the hidden hero of the room. "This bathroom sits directly above the laundry downstairs, so including the chute was a no-brainer," says Sally. It saves the adults from carrying loads of washing down the stairs plus the novelty factor encourages the kids to actually use it, helping to keep the bathroom – and bedrooms – tidy. The epitome of a well-functioning home. *Heliconia; www.heliconia.com.au.*

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