Snappy Secondhand

If the sign of a good consignment store is its smell (and trust us, it is), **Bumbleberry Kids** lives up to its delectable name.

Set up like a high-end boutique/children's nursery, there's not a hint of mustiness in the air or previous wear on the brand name kids' clothing owner Robin MacMillan has artfully arranged by size and gender.

Our ovaries ached just a little as we made our way past the mint-condition infant sleepers, but we forgot all about baby love when we snatched up a pair of pink print Petit Bateau capris in size 7 for our big girl for a cool \$12. Rifling through Gap, Burberry, Blu and Janie and Jack togs for our preschooler man, we came upon a mom *and* kid-pleasing 'lellow Gymboree rugby shirt for \$9.

But the real aha moment occurred when we realized we could offload, er, recycle our own kids' and maternity clothes, carriers, shoes, hats and other child paraphernalia to Bumbleberry Kids. With 40 per cent of the sale coming back to us, the profit might just fund our kids' spring wardrobes.

We're attacking our bulging closets with the sweet aroma of "empty" on our minds.

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