

## The List Operators for Kids

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### MELBOURNE FRINGE 2009

**Fringe Hub, Lithuanian Club**  
**Matt Kelly and Richard Higgins**  
**Wednesday, 30 September, 2009**



Jumper? Check. Moustache? Check. *The List Operators for Kids* is bum burping its way through the Fringe kids program and after this hour, your children may burn their High-4-Wiggles DVDs in protest against sanitised, nice kid's entertainment.

TLO have given us groan ups some serious giggles with their witty discussions about semiotics and their Santa visual gag, but this is the audience they really deserve; this is the crowd that let Matt and Rich reveal their true selves.

Anyone who has spent more than three seconds with anyone who still calls animation 'cartoons' and prefers wascally wabbits to anime porn, knows that there are really only four very funny things: farts, poo, rude words and men pretending to be old ladies. And how could I disagree.

Luckily, this show has an abundance of all four (and I am glad that some of my favourite rude words didn't make an appearance). TLO4K never doubts that kids are smarter than adults and, at times, plays near the edge. And their audience love every second of it. And I mean the adults as well.

Take every child you know to see *The List Operators for Kids*. If you don't have access to any little tackers to take along, kidnap some. Or cut your legs off, pull out your old Scooby Doo t-shirt and find a gown up willing to take you.

Riley (5) sat with me and, although he had a bit of trouble reading the signs on the stage and he wasn't chosen to work the computer, it didn't really matter because his favourite bit was the Ninga Nan.

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**Until 3 October, 2009**