















# **COMPANY OVERVIEW**

FIRST QUARTER FISCAL 2023 RESULTS









Strong Portfolio of Brands
Serving Newborn to Tween



## #1 PURE-PLAY CHILDREN'S SPECIALTY APPAREL RETAILER IN NORTH AMERICA

\$1.7B in Annual Revenue\* **50%** Planned Digital Penetration

**599** Stores in the U.S. and Canada

Less than 30% of Revenue from Traditional Malls

**212** International points of distribution

Accelerated Amazon
Opportunity











<sup>\*</sup> As of January 28, 2023



- Strong brand awareness and market share leader in children's specialty apparel retail
- Strength of design, merchandising, and sourcing teams delivers an on-trend superior product offering, with a strong value proposition, across our portfolio of brands
- Industry-leading digital penetration, with focus on mobilefirst enabled transactions and optimizing interactions with our customers through enhanced brand marketing and personalization
- Customer centric Omni-channel focus, supported by digital delivery, and driven by customer insights and strategy
- Experienced and talented management team, with an average tenure of over seven years, focused on execution and operational excellence







	% of	% of	% of	23 vs. 22 Inc/(Dec)	23 vs. 19 Inc/(Dec)
	<b>Q1 2023</b> Sales	<b>Q1 2022</b> Sales	<b>Q1 2019</b> Sales	<u></u> BPS	<u></u>
Net Sales	\$322	\$362	\$412	-11%	-22%
Gross Profit	96 30.0%	142 <i>39.2%</i>	151 <i>36.7%</i>	-32% (920)	-36% (670)
SG&A	109 33.9%	108 29.9%	127 30.8%	1% 400	-14% 310
Depreciation	12 3.7%	133.6%	18 4.3%	-9% 10	-33% (60)
Operating Income	(25) -7.6%	21 5.7%	7 1.6%	-219% (1,330)	-470% (920)
Interest	6 1.8%	2 0.5%	2 0.4%	246% 130	245% 140
Income Before Taxes	(30) -9.5%	19 5.2%	5 1.2%	-261% (1,470)	-718% (1,070)
Income Tax	(6)	4	(1)	-228%	-551%
Net Income	(\$25) -7.7%	\$14 4.0%	\$6 1.4%	-271% (1,170)	-527% (910)
Diluted EPS	(\$2.00)	\$1.05	\$0.36	-291%	-656%
Shares	12	14	16	-11%	-23%
EBITDA	(\$13) -3.9%	\$34 9.3%	\$24 5.9%	-138% (1,320)	-152% (980)

#### Net Sales -11.2% to last year, -8.2% on comp basis:

 Impact of slowdown in consumer demand, resulting from the unprecedented inflation impacting our customer

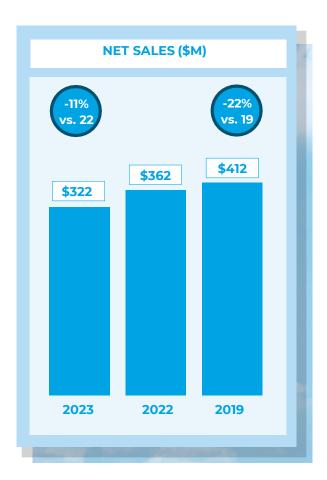
#### Operating margin (7.6%), - 1,330 bps to last year and -920 bps to 2019:

- Lower merchandise margins, due to AUR pressure and peak cotton costs
- Higher domestic supply chain costs and inbound transportation costs due to global supply chain disruptions
- Fixed costs de-leverage on lower net sales

<sup>\*</sup>Adjusted measures are non-GAAP and exclude expenses and income which we believe are not indicative of the performance of the core business. A reconciliation of GAAP and non-GAAP measures is provided in the Company's earnings releases which are available at <a href="http://investor.childrensplace.com">http://investor.childrensplace.com</a>.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Our comparable retail sales do not exclude temporarily closed stores impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.









- **Net Sales decreased 11% versus last year,** driven by the impact of a slowdown in consumer demand resulting from the unprecedented inflation impacting our customer.
- Adjusted Operating Income (Loss) was -1,330 basis points versus last year, driven by lower merchandise margins, due to AUR pressure and peak cotton costs, higher domestic supply chain costs, and the deleverage of fixed expenses resulting from the decline in net sales.
- Adjusted Earnings (Loss) per Share was (\$2.00), versus \$1.05 in 2022 and \$0.36 in 2019



BALANCE SHEET (1st QTR)	2023	2022
Cash	\$18	\$58
Accounts Receivable	26	29
Inventory	504	549
Revolver	301	250
Accounts Payable	223	261
Term Loan	50	50

CASH FLOW (1st QTR)	2023	2022
Operating Cash Flow	\$5	(\$19)
Capital Expenditures	(11)	(11)
Free Cash Flow	(\$6)	(\$30)
Share Repurchases	\$6	\$39

- Inventory decreased 8%, with 16% of our inventory in-transit
- Accounts Payable decreased 14%, as a result of lower merchandise inventory
- Cash and short-term investments of \$18 million versus \$58 million last year with \$301 million outstanding on our Revolver, compared to \$250 million outstanding last year

- Generated \$5 million in operating cash flow in Q1 2023
- Repurchased shares of \$6 million related to shares surrendered to cover tax withholdings



#### **Our outlook reflects:**

- Double digit operating margin and EPS over \$5.00 in back half of year fueled by decrease in cotton & supply chain costs
- Continued headwinds from the macroeconomic environment
- Outsized impact of inflation on our core customer
- Temporary buildup of high input costs in inventory
- Strong growth in Wholesale channel with Amazon
- Lower occupancy expenses, resulting from favorable lease negotiations, permanent store closures, and expense reductions
- Planned marketing investments

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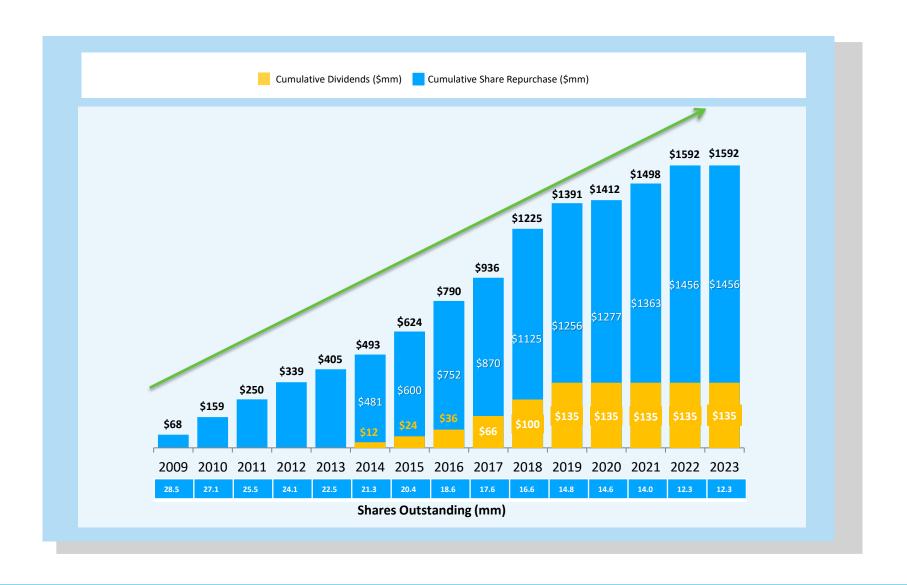


\$ in millions  SECOND QUARTER	2023	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	Guidance	(% vs. 2022)	(% vs. 2021)
Net Sales	\$340 - \$345	<b>\$381</b> -11% to -9%	<b>\$414</b> -18% to -17%
Adjusted Operating Income	-8.0%	<b>-3.1%</b> -492 bps	<b>9.7%</b> -1,769 bps
Adjusted	(\$2.15) to (\$2.20)	<b>\$1.05</b>	<b>\$3.25</b>
Diluted EPS		-306% to -310%	-166% to -168%

\$ in millions  FULL YEAR	2023	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	Guidance	(% vs. 2022)	(% vs. 2021)
Net Sales	\$1,575 - \$1,590	<b>\$1,708</b> -8% to -7%	<b>\$1,915</b> -18% to -17%
Adjusted Operating Income	2.5% to 2.9%	<b>0.4%</b> 209 to 249	<b>15.1%</b> -1,257 to -1,217
Adjusted	\$1.00 to \$1.50	(\$0.08)	<b>\$13.40</b>
Diluted EPS		1,350% to 1,975%	-93% to -89%



### Consistent track record returning excess cash to shareholders









## **Q1 DIGITAL PENETRATION 46%**

**76%** 

Mobile Transaction Penetration

+19%

Mobile App Penetration +10%

Mobile App Sales Growth YOY

+32%

Mobile App Unique Customers Growth YOY +26%

Mobile App Traffic Growth YOY





#### THE CHILDREN'S PLACE DOMINATES THE CATEGORY ACROSS SOCIAL MEDIA

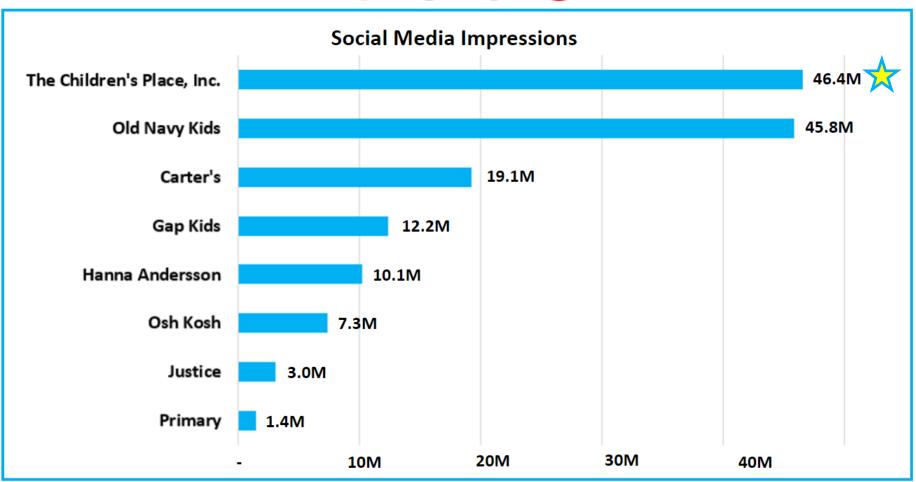
The Children's Place brands drove a total of **46.4M brand social media impressions** across Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube, dominating the children's apparel category across social.









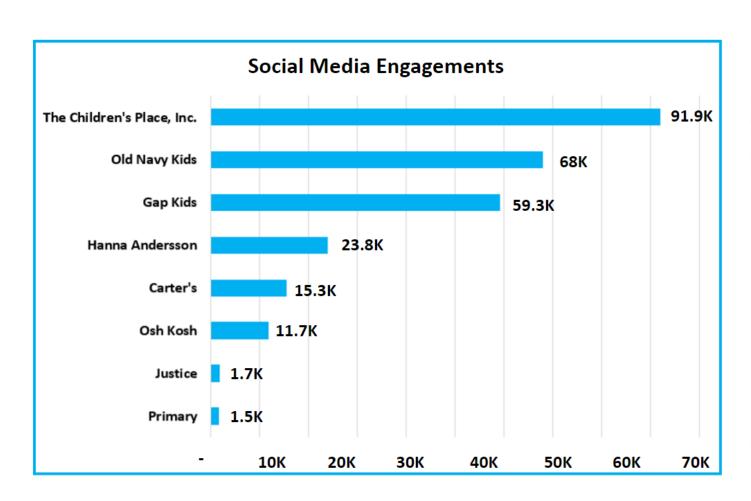


Source: Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube (Feb-April) as of 4/29/23



#### THE CHILDREN'S PLACE DRIVES STRONG ORGANIC SOCIAL INTERACTIONS

The Children's Place brands drove **over 91K social media engagements**, demonstrating the power of our strong and engaged followings across Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube.





#### THE CHILDREN'S PLACE

+4.5% Increase in Engagement Rate vs. Q4 22



The Children's Place partnered with legendary football players, Eli Manning, Shaun O'Hara, Justin Tuck, Emmanuel Sanders and Brian Westbook for its' Spring '23 brand campaign. This disruptive and culturally relevant campaign broke through the noise and drove maximum awareness, spotlighting the ability of The Children's Place to dress families across the nation for every made-to-match moment, through its incredible dressy assortment, filled-with-personality graphic tee assortment and casual-and-famed pajama-wear.

Following the launch of the campaign, the brand teamed up with Manning to treat hundreds of local NJ children to a day of fun, football and philanthropy. The day began at Hackensack Meridian Hospital where we came together to support Tackle Kids Cancer and treated the children to Easter baskets filled to the brim with goodies. That afternoon, Eli and Shaun O'Hara joined 300+ children for a fun afternoon of personalizing graphic tees from The Children's Place Spring 2023 Collection, a competitive obstacle course, football target practice, a thrilling Easter egg hunt, and more.

The campaign garnered over 10B earned media impressions across 1.3K+ media placements and was supported via full-funnel media strategy.

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Over 10B





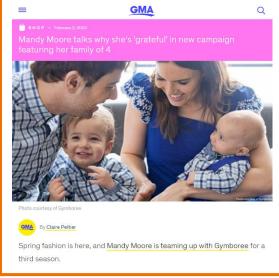


Announced **Gymboree's** Brand Ambassador, **Mandy Moore** in tandem with the brand's Spring '23 brand campaign. Actress, singer, philanthropist and Mom, **Mandy Moore**, and her new family of four, celebrated the Spring season and Easter Holiday in an emotional brand video, "Our Story". Narrated by Mandy, the campaign illustrated the essence of what the Easter season is all about: family, love and celebration. This continued collaboration included rich-photo and video content that captured her growing family, dressed in bow-to-toe Gymboree, in their first shoot as a family of four.

Additionally, the brand, in partnership with Mandy Moore, launched Women's History Month with a pledge to support Dress for Success. Gymboree provided clothing and monetary donations, hosted a month-long clothing drive held in our corporate office that generated 25 boxes of clothing and accessories, and matched all associate-made donations to Dress for Success in the month of March. This philanthropic initiative highlighted Gymboree's continued 2023 partnership with Mandy Moore and the company's goals and accomplishments in social and environmental topics, especially surrounding a gender-diverse workforce.

These campaigns drove over 7B earned media impressions across 160+ media placements and was supported via full-funnel media strategy.







# amazon









#### **Q1** Results

- Our Q1 Amazon Site Sales were up 124% versus Q1 of 2022 fueled by a 214% increase in traffic over last year.
- Total customers for the Q1 time period were +81% to Q1 2022
  - Total New to Brand customers for the Q1 time period were +51% to LY
- Marketing continues to be a key component driving the Amazon business, and our successful marketing strategies are driving the significant year over year increase in traffic.
- Ad attributed sales for Q1 2023 actualized +145% to LY, with a ROAS improvement of 28% to LY.
- We continued to see our brand campaigns perform well on Amazon with our top performing Ads for the time period showcasing our NFL Celebrity Brand Campaign
  - This influencer advertising generated over 18M Impressions on Amazon delivering a strong return on Ad spend.









#### **Q1** Results

- The Gymboree brand continues to exceed expectations on Amazon, delivering another strong quarter.
- The momentum we experienced in Q1 was partly fueled by an **enhanced advertising strategy built around maximizing the brand's visibility** in high-impact placements.
- Ad attributed sales for the quarter actualized at 49% of total sales with a strong return on ad spend signaling significant opportunity ahead to drive incremental sales through increased marketing investment.
  - Top performing Ads in Q1 featured Gymboree's 2023 Brand Ambassador Mandy Moore and Family Highlighting our Easter Assortment!
  - In addition to driving strong ad attributed sales the Mandy Moore ad units continued to be a strong acquisition driver, with New to Brand customers generating 43% of orders!



















## THE CHILDREN'S PLACE





















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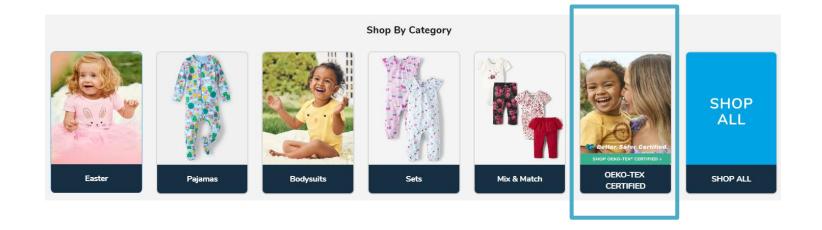
#### **OEKO-TEX® STANDARD 100 Certification**



During February Baby Month, we highlighted the launch of OEKO-TEX® STANDARD 100 certified products on our website. This certification means that every component of the product, i.e. every thread, button and other accessories, has been tested for harmful substances against strict global criteria by independent partner OEKO-TEX® institute.

We launched with 100 products and starting Spring '23, over 80% of The Children's Place cotton sleepwear, newborn and underwear products, as well as some Gymboree sleepwear will bear the STANDARD 100 hangtag or label.

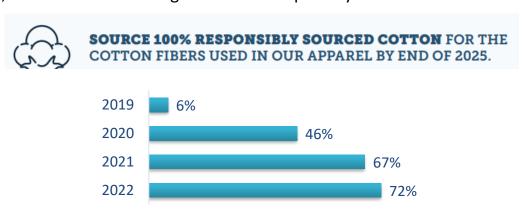






#### **Focus on Responsibly Sourced Cotton**

We are committed to improving cotton farming practices globally and are on track to meet our 100% responsibly sourced cotton goal by the end of 2025. Sourcing more sustainable cotton such as Better Cotton generates change on the ground by helping to improve soil health, address climate change and alleviate poverty.



We have also signed up to the **2025 Sustainable Cotton Challenge**, a Textile Exchange campaign working to shift the market toward the use of cotton grown using agricultural practices with improved environmental and social sustainability outcomes. By signing the pledge, we reaffirm our commitment to source 100% of our cotton from more sustainable cotton programs and initiatives by 2025.











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