



# The Bailee Ada Foundation

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## **Welcome Welcome Welcome Welcome.**

*To the first edition of the Bailee Ada Foundation Newsletter.*

*Being the first it is full of a lot of information about what fundraising has been done, up coming events and a letter from Melissa and Kevin. There are photos from TEAM BAILEE and the Run for the Kids day.*

*"Kevin and I would like to thank everyone for the support that they have given us not only over the last 9 months but for the whole of Bailee's life.*

*When she was diagnosed with CDG - Congenital Disorder of Glycosalation, not a lot of our questions could be answered as it was a rare condition and not very well known. We set up this foundation after her passing because we wanted to raise money for CDG research and to increase the awareness for this condition. We would eventually like to set up a network support for those that are affected by CDG, allowing others to talk to someone that understands this condition. Even though Bailee is no longer with us physically, she will always be with us in our hearts and thoughts and her legacy can live on forever through this foundation"*

*You will notice that this foundation has the Dragonfly Symbol. The dragonfly represents "swiftness and activity" In some cultures it's represents a "symbols of courage, strength, and happiness" and to us this is Bailee, our beautiful Dragonfly.*

*The Bailee Ada Foundation has its own committee. The committee members are  
Melissa Choate - Director  
Helen Roache - Treasurer  
Nicole Roache - Fundraiser Co-ordinator  
Tarni May - Fundraiser Co-ordinator  
Allison Roache - Fundraiser Co-ordinator  
The Committee had there first meeting in October, where we went through up coming fundraising events. Our next meeting is being held in December. If anyone has some great ideas please feel free to contact one of the committee members.*

## ***The First Major Fundraiser – RUN FOR THE KIDS***

*Run for The Kids is a charity event held annually to help raise money for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. This year over 26,415 people participated in the event.*

### ***RUN FOR THE KIDS*** ***Held on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007***

*On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007 the Run for the Kids took place. A major team had been organised for this special day 'TEAM BAILEE'.*

*All of those involved in this team brought a T-shirt or singlet or both. They are blue in colour with Pink writing. On the back of the top is a picture of Bailee with her dates. We would like to say a big thank you to Prompt Industries Pty Ltd and Katam Drainage for their contribution towards the t-shirts.*

*The tops were then sold for \$20.00 each with full profit going to the foundation. Over \$2000.00 was raised. \$1000.00 went to the Genetics Department that Bailee was a part of and the other \$1000.00 went to purchase a special 'tumble form' chair for the ward Bailee was in. A plaque has been made and attached to the chair "Kindly donated by Bailee Choate to the 5th Floor in Loving Memory". Over 65 people were part of **TEAM BAILEE**. Hopefully next year **TEAM BAILEE** will be bigger and better. This time some of us may try the run course.....only the little course while others, like myself, will stick to the walk. Start training it will be here in no time.*

***A big thank you for all of those who brought the tops and where part of **TEAM BAILEE**.***



***The Fabulous **TEAM BAILEE** on the Run for the Kids Day.***

### **MATTEL FUNDRAISER**

*Three days of shopping for toys what more could we want!*

*Mattel the toy manufacturer gave the foundation three days worth of tickets which allowed customers into there toy club to purchase stock at a reduced price compared to store retail. Shopping, bargains, fantastic.*

*The tickets where then sold for \$10.00 each which has raised the foundation over \$1000. Thank you to everyone that brought the tickets we hope all the kids like their toys.*



### **WESTERN BULLDOGS JUMPER FUNDRAISER**

*The Myer Social Committee purchased a current Western Bulldogs jumper on behalf of the Bailee Ada Foundation. The jumper was then organised to be signed by the whole 07 squad. Kindly with the help of Tarni and her boss Jake Landsberger the jumper was signed by whole team.*

*The jumper was then framed by Franks Framing and auctioned at the North Footscray Football Club Presentation night, raising \$620.00*

*A big thank you to everyone that was involved in this fundraiser as it was a great success.*



### UP COMING EVENTS

*13<sup>th</sup> December 2007: Second Committee Meeting*

*15<sup>th</sup> February 2008: Hair Day - (more details of this event in the next newsletter)*

*March 2008: Run For the Kids - 'Start training'!!!!*

*August 2008: Major Fundraiser for the year. Trivia night/Auction*

*Please stay tuned to the next Newsletter for more information about*

*The Bailee Ada Foundation.*

*Any feedback is welcome.*

*Melissa, Kevin, Isabel and the whole committee would like to wish you all a Safe and Happy Christmas and a Great New Year. We hope the next 12 months brings a smile to each and everyone's faces.*

