

Let's Help Laura Beat Lyme Disease



TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY

17th March 2012

7.00pm (doors open 6.30pm)

HEXHAM BOWLING CLUB

Auditorium (upstairs)

290 Old Maitland Road, Hexham



LAURA'S STORY

Six year old Laura France, a Year 1 student at Stockton Public School was diagnosed with chronic Lyme Disease and Babesiosis in late December 2011. Yes, Lyme Disease.....that illness about which NSW Health authorities say 'although locally-acquired Lyme borreliosis can not be ruled out, there is little evidence that it occurs in Australia', and for which there is no conclusive test available in this country. Reliable testing for Lyme Disease and it's associated co-infections is done in California, USA. Unfortunately, most people with Lyme Disease are either not diagnosed soon enough or misdiagnosed and treated incorrectly. This is when it becomes very complicated like it has for Laura.

Getting treatment for Lyme Disease in Australia is very difficult and very expensive. Laura's Lyme Literate Doctor, located on the north coast of NSW, is one of only a few health professionals in Australia who are experienced enough to treat Lyme patients effectively. The medications Laura requires are not on the PBS list and herbal therapy mixtures to protect and detox Laura's system need to be imported from the USA. All this comes at great expense to Laura's family, with little assistance from Medicare and private health insurance. The cost of Laura's treatment is between \$1500 and \$2000 per month.

We are proud and honoured to be able to assist Laura and her family of Fern Bay by hosting this Trivia Night. We have a long standing professional association with the France family, have become close friends over many years and have witnessed first-hand their commitment to Laura's well-being. As well as raising much needed funds to pay for Laura's ongoing medical costs, we hope to raise awareness of this silent debilitating illness as we help Laura beat Lyme Disease.

THIS IS HOW YOU CAN HELP—EITHER BOOK YOUR SEAT AT THE TRIVIA TABLE OR MAKE YOUR DONATION TODAY

(payment can be made via bank deposit— see details below)

Thank you,

The Phillips Family (Sydney, NSW)

TRIVIA NIGHT TICKETS \$10.00 EACH

Tables of 8—Bookings Essential

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(please use your surname as reference when making a deposit & advise via email the number of tickets required if deposit is not a donation)