



Campaign for Samuel Incorporated

Building a Better Future

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Newsletter Update

2017/06/23/01

Dear Supporters

Welcome to our first association newsletter designed to keep you up to date on some of the key activities around support for Samuel. We invite you to [subscribe](#) to our supporter's list - a quick two step process for added security.

DISCHARGE FROM LCCH

We are grateful that people respected our need to settle quietly back in to home when we discharged from Lady Cilento Children's Hospital in March. There was a special send-off from LCCH with a [guard of honour](#) (on Facebook) on what was Samuel's 480th day of continuous admission— a record for the new hospital. There was



much that could have gone awry for the homecoming and (thankfully) while there was n't, making a media story of a homecoming with problems would have been too difficult to imagine or to deal with.



HOUSE MODIFICATIONS

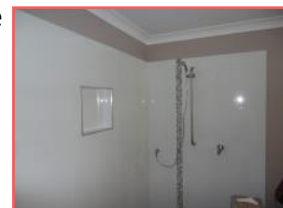
Internal modifications have been completed with only the ongoing technological fit outs of controllers that Samuel can use to open doors, turn lights



on/off, etc. Samuel and Amelia's rooms were combined to form one bigger, new bedroom for Samuel fitted out with extra power points, ceiling mounted hoist track, Safety Alert emergency medical alarm (for calling the ambulance) and a larger wardrobe to house the manual wheelchair and other equipment. The bathroom and toilet were combined, the hallway widened and all walls demolished in the main body of the house to have a fully open plan layout. Oh, and Amelia had the carport built in as a new bedroom for her. Outside modifications/additions continue with the construction of a carport



in the next month and plans are underway for the outdoor area for Samuel at the rear of the house—more on that next time.



END OF FINANCIAL YEAR

If any of our Australian taxpayer supporters are looking to reduce their taxable income this financial year, the Samuel Thorne Fund is registered as a deductible gift recipient with the Australian Tax Office. This fund is established as a public fund (under ATO rules) and as such, the association must actively invite members of



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the public to contribute otherwise tax deductible status lapses. Please consider this as our active invitation to the public to contribute! GiveNow (a donation portal available only to Australian Charities) offers a quick and easy way to make one-off or regular donations to directly support Samuel through the Samuel Thorne Fund at: www.givenow.com.au/samuelthorne.

WEBSITE

Please take a moment to bookmark our website in your favourites. Our original Wix platform website will be decommissioned but is still available with a link on our new [home page](#) on the association's registered domain www.campaignforsamuel.org.au.



CANBERRA TOUR —10 - 14 July 2017

Complexities for us to travel anywhere (overnight) beyond our home base can severely limit where we can go. Our aim for Samuel's school Canberra Tour is to demonstrate to him that we will leave no stone unturned to make it happen so that he knows we can, in the future, travel to nearly anywhere.

Currently, this is our family's main organisational focus. If all goes well, and with the support of many people, Samuel will enjoy this year's Canberra Tour with his mates.

TRIVIA AND AUCTION NIGHT 2017

Watch the website! Tickets will be on sale soon but please date claim **6 October 2017** for this year's Trivia and Auction event. Last year's sell-out and hugely popular evening was driven by a dedicated group of supporters who are assisting the new association to run this year's fundraiser. Details will be posted on to the website soon. If you would like to sponsor the event, please email president@campaignforsamuel.org.au If you are interested in donating goods or services for the auction or event generally, please email to jules@campaignforsamuel.org.au.



CAMINO FRANCES - Across Northern Spain from France

Samuel's Poppy, Eric, is walking the [Camino](#) (for a third time) to raise awareness. Why not watch for updates, too? Follow the links on the webpage.

Thank you for helping us to build a better future!

Craig (Secretary)



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