



SUNSHINE COAST
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Grammar community digs deep for Elki

Students, staff and parents from Sunshine Coast Grammar School will come together this Saturday, April 16 as part of the School's Grammar Helping Hands Program in support of a Nambour family and their remarkable young daughter, Elki who was diagnosed with leukaemia earlier this year.

The Grammar Helping Hands group is planning a backyard blitz style makeover at the family's home, which will see students erecting play equipment, painting and gardening to be able to provide a wonderful outdoor experience for Elki when she is home between hospital visits.

Since its inception in 2009, Grammar Helping Hands have been helping local families who have experienced tough times whether they have lost their way, their possessions, their health and even their loved ones.

Community Services Coordinator at Sunshine Coast Grammar School, Mr Ben Princehorn said that the Grammar Helping Hands program aims to complete one major project such as this each term along with a number of smaller events and activities, including providing more than 1000 meals to organisations and those in need around the Coast.

"Over the past seven years we have learnt that we live in an imperfect world and whilst we can't change events we can change the world for one person or one family. We can brighten a day, make a difference and give the most important things we have; our love and our time," said Mr Princehorn.

"With the support of our community we are able to do our bit and show our love and care for those in our community all whilst teaching our students some of the most important lesson they will ever learn."

"Our lives are busy places and it's very easy to push stories like Elki's to one side. We are encouraging our students to be a part, be it big or small, of the solution in making a difference for Elki."

Behind each backyard makeover is a story, to find out more about Elki's story you can view and like the Elki's Journey Facebook Page online here

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=1545691909082026&ref=ts> or provide your support via Elki's Journey here <https://www.gofundme.com/elkijournal>

The backyard blitz project will run from 2-5pm tomorrow, Saturday, April 16 at 16 Wentworth Court Nambour.

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