

## ***“Miller Movement- Kids helping Kids”***

To whom it may concern,

We are Jakalah and Chad Jacob, we are both teachers. My husband teaches at Te Puke Intermediate and I teach at Golden Sands School in Papamoa. We have been in the education industry for over 10 years and together we need your help.

On May 5th 2021, my husband and I lost our daughter Miller Jacob at 16 days old to a rare condition called Alveolar Capillary Dysplasia. Starship hospital gave us 16 precious days to get to know our daughter.

This care almost didn't happen! At 3 days old we were told that Miller required an ECMO machine but there were only 3 in NZ, all located in Starship and they were at capacity. As we fell to our knees, in that moment as much as we pleaded there was nothing we could do. Thankfully a machine became available later that day and we were able to get to know our daughter Miller for 16 days.

But at that moment, no money could help us, only resources could.

Starship is the only paediatric intensive care unit in all of New Zealand.

This is where we need your help;

As you would have seen on TV, Starship requires more beds for our expanding population. My husband and I in honour of our daughter Miller are raising funds to support Starship. We are calling it the “Miller Movement”.

We would love it if you can be a part of our Miller Movement- Kids helping Kids.

How? Join us on our fundraising mission

- Hold a mufti day, we are holding a Community mufti day on Friday 5th of November with all proceeds going to Give a Little, Miller Movement Starship Fundraiser (another day is great too)
- Hold a lunchtime or after school disco
- Hold a cake stall
- Hold a raffle

- Share our Miller Movement fundraiser on your weekly newsletter, facebook pages or email thread.
- Or any other fabulous ideas!

Why? To become a part of the Miller Movement. Together we are a community and we can create great things! For our children and their families.

What do you get?

- A sense of community, being a part of change.
- Publicity through local newspapers, following the Miller Movement.
- A shout out on facebook media and your logo on the Miller Movement Website on the fundraising page.
- Updates on where your money has gone and the change you have been a part of, (what Starship purchased with our funds).

For more information please see our Give a Little Page

- <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/millers-movement>

Check out our website and Miller Movement mission, our why and stories about Starship Children and Community and Individual sponsors.

- <http://millersmovement.weebly.com/>

For more information please contact me, Jakalah Jacob on 0221917728 or [jtrask@goldensands.school.nz](mailto:jtrask@goldensands.school.nz)

Be a part of the movement!

Regards,  
Jakalah and Chad Jacob