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Earle Page doing what students do best running for charity



Two days, 220km to run from Earle Page College (EPC) to the Coffs Harbour Jetty.

The annual Earle Page College Cost Run fundraiser is back for its 40th consecutive year, with college students preparing to run 220km from country to coast in a bid to raise money for children's disease research from 23-25 August.

The yearly relay-style run from Armidale to Coffs Harbour raises funds for the Children's Medical Research Institute (CMRI), which works in advancing the treatment and prevention of childhood diseases.

"It is rewarding to contribute to an organisation of the calibre of CMRI and to help support their ground-breaking research" Claudia Smeltink, Coast Run participant and third-year EPC Medical student said.

The 2019 Coast Run Committee, which comprises of 34 runners and 10 support crew, have set their sights on hitting the \$500,000 donation total for CMRI.

"We're hoping to raise \$20,000 this year to help us achieve that long standing goal for CMRI," Katie Armson-Graham, Head of the Coast Run Committee for 2019 said.

"It brings about a great sense of achievement within our college and the wider community and we all value upholding a longstanding tradition of our college that helps us give back."

"Students had been working hard to achieve the goal of \$20,000 for this year," Earle Page Head of College Kathie Hunt said.

"We had a wonderfully successful fashion parade earlier in the year, and more recently our Coast Run Charity Auction at our Parents' College Dinner have helped contribute to our fundraising efforts."

The Coast Run fundraiser was started in 1980 by Earle Page College Alumni Brent Gregory who is today a Lecturer in the UNE Business School.

In celebration of the 40th year Earle Page College Alumni are invited to join in the final 5km leg of the run in Coffs Harbour. There will also be a celebratory dinner at the conclusion of the run in Coffs Harbour which Alumni are invited to attend.

Alumni wishing to donate to or better yet join in our 40th Coast Run please email epc@une.edu.au for all the details and to register your interest.