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PDG Elvio Munzone
President
Lions Club of Lugarno
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2015 Autism Kids Communicate

Dear Elvio,

We are writing to finalise our reporting on the Autism Kids Communicate project for 2015.

This round of funding has enabled us to provide 40 Augmentative Communication Devices to the following non-verbal children with autism:

Child's name	Suburb
Matthew	Kogarah
Josiah	Girraween
Noah	Hoxton Park
Zachariah	Westmead
Liam	Bankstown
Aristidis	Casula
Jay	Revesby
Cameron	North Strathfield
Gus	Queens Park
Look	Raby

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Child's name	Suburb
Benjamin	Bexley North
Gemma	Cecil Hills
Milana	Homebush
Gabriel	Hornsby
Muhammad	Greenacre
Ashton	The Ponds
Edison	Pennant Hills
Cooper	Heathcote
Daniel	Campsie
Nicholas	Campsie
Noah	Greenhills Beach
Michael	Eastlakes
Viola	Dharruk
Zachary	Chifley
Jay	Belmore
Loc	Marrickville
Jonah	The Ponds
Daniel	Cherrybrook
Aahnaf	Westmead
Alex	Maroubra
Teddy	Wahroonga
Andreson	Elderslie
Katherina	Kogarah
James	Kensington
Ashley	Dee Why
Ilyas	Rockdale
James	Ashfield

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Child's name	Suburb
Doyun	Greystanes
Ezzo	Yagoona
Maxim	Menai

Each child received an iPad mini with retina display, 16 GB and WiFi plus a protective case and Proloquo2go software. In addition, their parents were offered a 2 hour training session at the Apple Broadway store on 13 June 2014 to help them learn how to customise the software to their child's specific needs. 32 families participated.

In addition, the Autism Community Network reputation has benefitted from this project. This is reflected in our increased membership and in comments received from both members and disability service providers who refer their clients to us. Our membership numbers now stand at 672 families with 1,513 individuals supported by the ACN.

Expenditure for the project is set out below:

Item	Unit price incl GST	Qty	
iPad mini with retina display 16 GB Wifi	346.85	40	13,874.08
Protective cases	50.95	40	2,038.08
Proloquo2go	134.99	40	5,399.60
Trainer	50.00	3	150.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			21,467.76
Lions Club grant			23,150.00
Balance retained by ACN following \$1,218.86 shortfall during 2014 program			1,682.24

We thank you once again for your kind support and ask that you pass on our sincere appreciation on to all of the Lions Clubs who contributed to this project.
Kind Regards,

Claudia Stevens
Strategic Manager

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Thank you so much! We are so grateful that our son will be receiving an iPad and are excited about having the opportunity to use Proloquo2go.

Annette

Dear Timothy,

My family would like to express our thanks and gratitude deeply to Autism Community Network for selecting Zachariah for a new mini iPad with cover and Proloquo2Go.

Dev

"Thanks so much again for selecting Eve to receive an iPad with proloquo2go. We can't wait to use it. Many thanks again."

Jenelle

"Thank you so much, that is great news, can't thank everyone involved enough."

Kristy

"Thank you so much to ACN and the Lions! This is greatly appreciated. We can't wait to use the P2G software with Noah, it sounds like powerful stuff judging from the past studies. Noah has commenced Kindy at Aspect and they are also focusing heavily on communication with him (along with our speech therapist) so we really think it is going to be a very exciting year for us all in terms of Noah's communication skills progressing."

Liz

"We are very happy and grateful to hear Alex was successful in the ACN's Autism Kids Communicate program. Thank you so much for the opportunity for the Proloquo2go and training. Alex is very visual and I look forward to seeing any ways to help him communicate."

Sharon

"Thank you very much for this gift. It will be so valuable to our son's development."

Steven

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