**[insert your suburb/town] local joins nationwide trivia challenge to raise money for children’s education**

**[insert date] –** [insert your suburb/town] local [insert your name] will host a trivia event on [insert date of your event] at [insert venue] as part of a national fundraiser called [ChildFund’s Big Ask](http://childfundsbigask.org.au/), in support of children’s education around the world.

ChildFund Australia is calling on all Australians to host a trivia event and raise money to help educate children living in some of the world’s poorest communities. ChildFund’s Big Ask is a great excuse to get together with friends, family and colleagues to have fun for a good cause.

[insert a quote from you about your trivia event and why you wanted to take part in ChildFund’s Big Ask eg “We are so lucky to live in Australia with everything we need for our children to survive and thrive,” Rachel said. “It’s unfair that children in other parts of the world don’t even have safe water to drink or the opportunity to attend school. I wanted to take part in ChildFund’s Big Ask by hosting a trivia event because I thought this would be a fun way to get my friends, family and others in the community involved in the fight against global child poverty.”

[provide further details about your trivia event and encourage community members to come along eg Rachel’s trivia event is open to the public – everyone in the Shepparton area is welcome to come along. “I encourage people to get a team together and join in the fun! There will also be a raffle on the night and some great prizes up for grabs, including the chance to win a night at the Winners Hotel in Melbourne.”

All money raised from ChildFund’s Big Ask will support education programs to help children overcome poverty and reach their full potential. Just $8 can give a child in Vietnam a study set that includes all they need to go to school; $110 can give a child in Laos a new bike for a safer and quicker journey to school; and $199 can pay for a scholarship to send an Ethiopian girl to school for a year.

Nigel Spence, CEO of ChildFund Australia, said significant progress is being made to reduce poverty for children around the world but many children still lack access to a quality education.

“ChildFund’s Big Ask is an opportunity for all Australians to raise vital funds so that every child has the chance to go to school and overcome poverty. By joining in a trivia event in your local area, you will be helping to make this dream a reality for some of the world’s most vulnerable children,” said Mr Spence.

*[repeat your event details here] eg Rachel’s trivia event for ChildFund’s Big Ask will be held at Shepparton RSL at 7pm on Saturday 7 May. Members of the public are invited to attend. Entry is free and we are collecting donations online at [insert URL]. Come on your own or bring a table of 5 people. All funds raised will be donated to ChildFund Australia.*

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**NOTES TO EDITORS:**

**About ChildFund Australia**

ChildFund Australia is an independent and non-religious international development organisation that works to reduce poverty for children in the developing world. ChildFund Australia implements programs with a range of local partners in Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea and Vietnam, and manages projects delivered by partner organisations throughout Asia, Africa and the Americas. Our work is funded through child and community sponsorship, government grants and donations from individuals, trusts and foundations, and corporate organisations. ChildFund Australia is a member of the ChildFund Alliance – a global network of 12 organisations which assists more than 15 million children and families in 58 countries. ChildFund Australia is a registered charity and is fully accredited by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade which manages the Australian Government’s overseas aid program.

**About ChildFund’s Big Ask**

ChildFund’s Big Ask is Australia’s biggest trivia challenge raising funds to educate children around the world! ChildFund Australia is calling on all Australians to host a trivia event and raise funds to support children’s education programs in some of the world’s poorest communities. ChildFund’s Big Ask is a great excuse to get together with friends, family and colleagues to have fun for a good cause. For more information, or to register to host a trivia event, visit childfundsbigask.org.au or call 1800 023 600.

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