SIBLINGS FOLLOW MOTHER IN COMMUNITY MINDEDNESS

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A WELCOME GIFT: Spencer (9) and Evie (7) with a donation of food for Carevan Wangaratta

Belinda Hayward has been donating her time every second Tuesday at the Carevan location in the West End, cutting hair for anyone there that would like a haircut.

Belinda said "I took them down to Carevan with me while I was cutting hair as I thought it would be great for the kids to see that not everyone has the same privileges in life, and they've become hooked! They love helping with serving and doing the dishes which was a very present surprise."

Spencer (9) and Evie (7) wanted to follow Belinda's example. They discussed with Belinda some ideas and started making hair scrunchies out of left over fabric from Belinda's mother. The aim; they would sell them so they could donate the money.

"We decided that we would alternate between 2 charities this year, one being Carevan and the other being Tots2Teens Wangaratta." Belinda told us.

"The first round they sold \$90 worth, so we then went to Woolworths and they bought \$90 worth of groceries to give to Carevan. The same will happen with Tots2Teens. They will spend the money to buy clothing and toiletries for children in foster care."

Belinda owns a Beautopia Hair Salon in town, so Spencer and Evie have set up a little stand in there where they sell their scrunchies. Being community minded and thinking of others, the children have also been given permission to sell them at school (Our Lady's Primary School) to raise more money and awareness to their fellow students of the importance and joy of giving back to the community.

Carevan Wangaratta is delighted to see such spirit in our young ones in the community. We are very grateful to Spencer and Evie for their kindness, support and enthusiasm. They are a delightful example; we wish them well and congratulate them on the inspiration they pass on.

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