



# Bedtime Stories

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## Richie's Story

When six-year-old Richie was rushed to hospital, doctors found that his heart was badly swollen. He needed immediate

open-heart surgery to repair the leaky valve that was causing his pain. Richie pulled through the operation, but living with Rheumatic Heart Disease means that coughing fits and shortness of breath stand in the way of his sporting dreams.

## Jorja's Story

As a curious toddler, Jorja had an accident with a scalding hot cup of tea. She suffered third degree burns to the sensitive skin on her neck and chest. Heartbroken, her parents rushed her to the

burns unit. Jorja stayed through several operations and many steroid injections to encourage the healing. Today, she's hoping for a surgery to remove the thickened scars and help her feel more comfortable around other kids.



## James' Story

James was only a tot when he was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia, or ALL. At just two, he had to face 48 months

of treatment. James spent most of that time waiting in hospital, vulnerable and subdued. But finally in November 2011, doctors declared he was in remission. James still lives with the anxiety of constant check ups, and knows what it means to fight to survive.

# The Story Of Cure Kids And Accor

CureKids is a charitable trust dedicated to finding treatments and cures for children like Richie, James and Jorja. To do this they fund local research on everything from cystic fibrosis to brain injury and cot death. So far CureKids has given over \$29 million to child health research, leading to some life changing breakthroughs.

Accor is proud to support CureKids. By incorporating the charity into every level of our organisation, we've so far raised three million to help them in New Zealand and Fiji. It's our staff members that make the real difference; giving their time and energy to help thousands of kids like Richie, James and Jorja.



# The Story Of Red Nose Day

It takes a good sport to wear a red nose! Since 2006 our support of this event has allowed CureKids to screen over 10,000 children for Rheumatic Fever. It's vital work, as early detection of fevers and irregular heartbeats reduces the onset of damage caused by the devastating disease.



# The Accor Extreme Challenge Story

Fiji's children are precious, yet so many still lose their lives to basic illnesses. The Accor Extreme Challenge is one of the ways we help Cure Kids to help them.

Every two years we send teams of staff and sponsors to compete in a five-day challenge that tests their physical and mental prowess. Our volunteers raise money so CureKids can provide life-saving medicines and build vital community facilities.

## Be Part Of The Story

Please be part of the team helping CureKids. You'll find a donation box downstairs, please give generously.



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