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New Liverpool Hospital book to make a visit to hospital welcoming for children

Liverpool Hospital and Mounties Group are making the visit to hospital more welcoming for children with the release of a new book launched today.

'Max Goes to Liverpool Hospital' follows the journey of a dog, based on Liverpool Hospital General Manager, Robynne Cooke's two miniature dachshunds Max and Sydney, through the hospital.

"Going to hospital, especially for the first time, can be a daunting and scary experience for children," Ms Cooke said.

"'Max Goes to Liverpool Hospital' is an activity book that follows Max's journey through the hospital and his interaction with the various staff he encounters.

"Liverpool Hospital sees about 70 paediatric admissions through the emergency department each week, so there is a great need for this book.

"The book will help children to understand that visiting the hospital isn't something to fear.

"It also gives them more knowledge about what happens when they come to the hospital and why it happens."

'Max Goes to Liverpool Hospital' was made possible thanks to a generous donation from Mounties Group.

The Mounties Group donation was funded by an annual charity golf day that raised more than \$43,000 for the project.

"Days like the club's golf day are a way for Mounties' corporate partners and commercial suppliers to get behind the Group's bid to positively impact the Fairfield and Liverpool region," Mounties Group CEO, Mr Greg Pickering said.

"We are excited to continue our long-standing relationship with Liverpool Hospital and help educate young patients about what happens when they are admitted to hospital, and hopefully eliminate the fear that they might have when being treated."

The book will be given to children when they come to hospital as patients as part of an activity bag.

"The book was an innovative and exciting project for Liverpool Hospital to be involved with and we are very grateful to Mounties Group for the donation that has made it a reality," Ms Cooke said.