



Taking steps for premature babies

FAMILIES from across Australia will come together for several walk events on Sunday, October 28 in support of the 48,000 premature or sick babies born in Australia every year, with local resident and mum of a premature baby, Katrina Brereton organising an event in Nathalia.

Katrina said, “My little girl, Haylee, was born at 31 weeks and weighed 3 pound 2, and while I was in the hospital the nurse told me about the Life’s Little Treasures Foundation and after giving them a call to talk about Haylee and what to do next, I found them to be a great support so it’s nice to be able to do something like this walk to give back to them.

“Our aim is to try and raise \$1,500.

“The walk will take place at Nathalia Primary School from 9:30am to 1:30pm and will be around 1.9km.”

Walk for Prems 2018 is proudly presented by Baby Bunting and is the largest annual fundraiser for the Life’s Little Treasures Foundation, Australia’s foremost charity dedicated to supporting the families of babies born sick or prior to 37 weeks gestation.

In its ninth year, Walk for Prems will take place simultaneously in Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide, Hobart, Canberra and Perth, as well as regional locations such as Cairns, Townsville, Ballarat, the Goulburn Valley and Gippsland. At the beginning of each Walk for Prems 2018 event, participants will pause to show their respect for the families whose babies have

sadly passed away.

People can register for Walk for Prems 2018 or make a donation to Katrina at www.walkforprems.org.au



A WALK FOR A CAUSE... Local resident, Katrina Brereton will be taking part in the Walk for Prems 2018, which is close to her heart as her daughter was born at 31 weeks. *Photo: David Lee.*