

Chloe's Story

My little girl, Chloe suffered a near drowning at a public pool in Sydney on the 23rd December 2005 when she was 3 years old.

She was on a day out with her grandpa and 5 year old brother. They were about to go home when she ran off for another turn down the slide. She slipped on the way and fell into the big pool. No-one saw her until a swimmer noticed her on the bottom of the pool.



Chloe was not breathing for at least 15 minutes. The staff tried very hard, but when the paramedics arrived 18 minutes later they picked Chloe upside down and she vomited and started breathing. But the brain damage was done. Chloe was in intensive care for 20 days and then in hospital for a further 3 and 1/2 months.

Chloe could no longer walk, talk or eat.

After intense therapy, oxygen therapy and stem cell transplants around the world Chloe was starting to make very very slow progress but the future did not look great.

On the 20th November 2007 Chloe had just turned 5, when she passed away in her sleep. Her little body just didn't want to fight anymore.

Michelle (Chloe's Mum)