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Garages open up for sale trail

REGISTRATIONS are now open for the annual Garage Sale Trail with 11 councils

across Melbourne support-ing the event this year.

More than 1.5 million items are expected to be up for grabs through simultaneous garage sales nation-wide on Saturday, October

Councils supporting this councils supporting this year's event include Mo-nash, Bayside, Hobsons Bay, Kingston, Melbourne, More-land, Stonnington, White-horse, Wyndham, Yarra and Greater Dandenong.

People are encouraged to get involved to declutter, reuse, meet their neigh-bours and make some money by holding an event on the day. Garage Sale Trail co-foun-

der Andrew Valder said the event aimed to promote reuse of good-quality items, reduce waste to landfill, create awareness about illegal

dumping, unite communi-ties, and stimulate local economies.

Sellers across Melbourne can register their sale for free at garagesaletrail. om au

Shoppers can go online to browse what goods will be available on the day at garage sales in their neighbourhood.

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Madu, Lily, Chester and Annabelle helped to organise an event to raise money for the Heart-felt Foundation, which provides precious photographic mementos for bereaved families.

Students' heartfelt gift

PARENTS who have lost a baby stand to benefit from two new cameras donated by a group of community-mind-ed students at Mount Waver-ley Secondary College.

The middle school leader-

The middle school leader-ship group raised a whopping \$1720 for the Heartfelt Foun-dation last term. Heartfelt is a volunteer or-ganisation of professional photographers who are called to the bedside of bables that are stillborn, premature. that are stillborn, premature, or have serious and terminal illnesses, to provide precious photographic mementos.

A student-run fundraising day paid for two good-quality cameras and instructional videos from Heartfelt to be placed at Monash and Dandenong hospitals.

The students were inspired to take up the cause after a staff member's granddaugh-ter died at birth. Year 10 student Madu, 15,

rear to student Madu, 15, said her school had a support-ive, close-knit community. "We are there for each other in times of good and bad," Madu said.

The fundraiser included a casual clothes day complete

olate and a bucket of chalk.

"People drew all sorts of things, from happy bunny faces to slogans promoting positive messages," Madu said.

"After everyone finished drawing, when you looked at it, it was amazing." Student leadership co-ordi-

nator Hayley Dureau praised the students for their amaz-ing effort.

To contact a Heartfelt photographer, please phone 1800 583 768, or visit heartfelt. org.au for more information.



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