

# WHAT'S MY BUSINESS?

A student-led unit of inquiry in partnership with ALWS

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- An authentic and powerful learning experience
- A unit of inquiry that brings together HASS, Christian Studies and Maths
- An answer to the question "What can I do?" to help students see they can make a difference
- A chance to partner with ALWS and help people in need!

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

- Students learn about Savings Groups which operate in communities around the world. These groups help kickstart small businesses
- Students then have the opportunity to become members of a school-based Savings Group in their class, and work to develop small business ideas.
- Students apply for a \$20 loan from the Savings Group to fund their business.
- The unit culminates in a school-based 'market day', where student-developed businesses sell their product to the local school community.
- Students use the income to repay their loan (with interest) to the Savings Group.
- Students use profits to choose ALWS Gifts of Grace to help communities in need!



## LET'S MAKE THIS HAPPEN!

- Get in touch with us to set up an introductory session, via zoom, for interested school staff.
- If your school chooses to go ahead, the unit begins with an introductory presentation to students by your ALWS Community Action Officer, Celia or Vicki (about 40 mins).
- Teachers are then supported by Celia or Vicki to teach the unit across a number of weeks.
- There will be access to mentors who have run this unit successfully in their schools.

## TO FIND OUT MORE:

Contact your ALWS Community Action Officer!

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