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# APODC

## Update



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# KIA ORA Hi

## NAU MAI and Welcome to families and whanau.

- **APODC is:** a not-for-profit organisation made up of parents and carers bringing up a child who is deaf or hearing impaired, and who may have additional special needs. Did you know, the majority of parents of deaf or hearing-impaired kids are not deaf themselves? We are a varied and friendly set of people find support through sharing experience, and having lots of fun!
- APODC runs events that bring families together. Through meeting others we create networks that help us face the challenges of home/school/communication with our children
- We have members living across all corners of the Auckland region with deaf and hearing impaired children from 0-18 years old. A wide range of hearing levels and communication methods are represented. We are united by our mutual aim: That our kids grow to reach their full potential.

## What's in this month's newsletter?

- **C2 Youth Group Bowling – Saturday 13th August**
- **Mairangi Bay Coffee Group – Saturday 10th September**
- **Tip Top Tour – Tue 27<sup>th</sup> September**
- **Razza Mattazz – Kids Foundation Show 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> October**
- **Rock Climbing, Extreme Edge, Glen Eden 9th October**
- **Farmers Santa Parade 27<sup>th</sup> November**



# C2 Group Bowling Night Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August

Join us for fun, and friendly  
competition!

**C2 = Communication 2 Ways**

Focussed activity for deaf and  
hearing impaired youth over 10



**FREE** for existing youth members, and for other deaf & hearing  
impaired children as an introductory event

**WHERE:** AMF Panmure, 523a Ellerslie-Panmure Hwy, Mt Wellington,  
Auckland 1060

**WHEN:** 3PM, Sat. 13<sup>th</sup> August (meet at front door)

**CONFIRM YOUR PLACE:** Email [apodc@orcon.net.nz](mailto:apodc@orcon.net.nz) or  
Text/phone: 022 0842244

## Mairangi Bay Coffee Group

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September  
10AM**



✓ Café Windsor, 550 East Coast Road, Windsor Park, Auckland 0630

- ☉ Enjoy a FREE Freshly brewed coffee – the real kind!
- ☉ Take time out while your kids play in a safe, warm, fun play area
- ☉ Meet other parents with young deaf & hearing impaired children

**Coming along?** Email: [apodc@orcon.net.nz](mailto:apodc@orcon.net.nz) Phone or text: 022 0842244

## Anyone for Ice-cream?

### Come and tour the Tip Top factory

See first-hand where the good stuff is made, and let them know if they are on the right track with some tasting action!



Date and time: Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, 11.15 arrival for the 11.30am tour

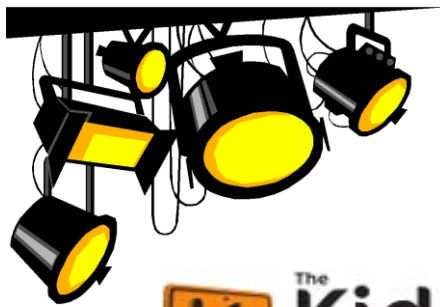
Who: If you missed out last year or are new to APODC you will be first on our list

Cost: FREE for members

✓ Please confirm your place: [apodc@orcon.net.nz](mailto:apodc@orcon.net.nz) or text/phone 022 0842244

# Razza Matazz Show

Brought to you by The Kids Foundation



Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 3pm

- Visual comedy to meet the needs of all children.
- Puppetry, magic, acrobatics, dancing and much more!
- Best suited to audiences under 12, but fun for all the family
- 50 tickets free to APODC members courtesy of local businesses



**VENUE:** Clouston Hall, St Cuthberts School, 122 Market Rd Epsom

**CHOOSE FROM 2 SHOWS:** Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> or Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 3pm

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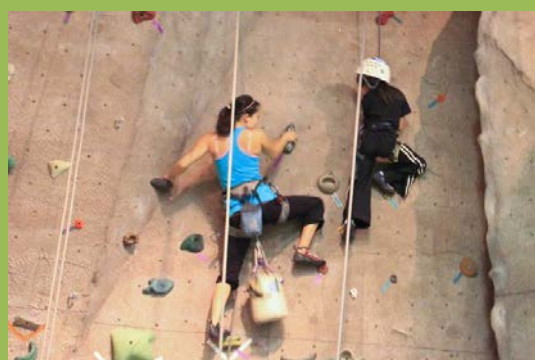




## Rock Climbing - Extreme Edge

5 Waikaukau Road, Glen Eden, Auckland 0602

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2.30pm



- 🌀 Over 200 climbing routes from 10 to 12 metres
- 🌀 Climbs from absolute beginner to pro
- 🌀 Themed ClimbZone for kids to begin their climbing journey (3 yrs and up)
- 🌀 Let's go learn together and have lots of fun!
- 🌀 10% off ticket price for Associate members = Adults \$19.80, 15yrs & under \$15.30, 5yrs & under \$9

50 FREE climbing places for full members. Get in quick to secure your place:

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## Farmers Santa Parade 2016 Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 1pm

OR 4<sup>th</sup> December (Rain day back-up!)

### He's back in town!

- Join us for some festive fun
- We have an exclusive spot:  
to the left of The Scenic Hotel,  
380 Queen Street
- Limited Parking spaces reserved for APODC in the  
Civic Car Park



**Please let us know if you are coming  
and if you need a parking space:**

**Email [apodc@orcon.net.nz](mailto:apodc@orcon.net.nz) OR  
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## July Highlights: Family Day and Bounce & Beyond



15 children from the ages of 1 to 16 years attended Family Day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July. Hearing House kindly provided space for the children to hang out and play in the outdoor area, whilst parents enjoyed an NZSL taster class taught by Rachel Coppage. Rachel's approach to teaching, using humorous practical examples kept everyone focussed and entertained.

Victoria Lessing from Auckland Deaf Society introduced the free NZSL family course commencing next week. A magic show, and pizza lunch brought everyone together followed by some NZSL games providing a relaxed and enjoyable ending to the day.

APODC would like to thank the AUT interpreting students who helped out throughout the day and Rachel for her ongoing commitment to APODC.



### Bounce and Beyond

We all had a fabulous time at Bounce and Beyond on Sunday. It was a busy place made much busier by our large group. The children got around all of the equipment whilst the adults enjoyed a catch up in the café.

We were really pleased to be able to welcome 3 new families on Sunday, who have also signed up to our membership. Welcome to the APODC family! We look forward to spending time with you.





Hello! Kia Ora! Talofa lava! Namaste! 你好

## CLEAR COMMUNICATION = HAPPY FAMILIES



The Sign Language Hub wishes to invite all families who would like to use New Zealand Sign Language to improve the way their family communicates to participate in a **FREE 24 Week Course of New Zealand Sign Language for Families**.

Maybe you have a family member who is Deaf or perhaps you would simply like to explore this beautiful and unique visual language in a family friendly way.

We welcome children with hearing aids and cochlear implants as well as children who use spoken language.

Current research suggests that learning more than one language benefits children and learning Sign Language does not negatively impact spoken language acquisition.

The whole family is welcome to come to this course, including brothers, sisters, grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins because extended family matters!

**START DATE: 13 AUGUST 2016**

**TIME: 12-2 PM ON SATURDAYS (EVERY 2 WEEKS)**

**VENUE: AUCKLAND DEAF SOCIETY CLUBROOM  
(DOWNSTAIRS) 164 Balmoral Road, Balmoral**

*"Learning Sign Language has meant our child understands words faster and his speech is clearer." - Parent of Deaf child*

**FREE COURSE  
ENROL TODAY!**

**SIGN UP FOR OUR NZSL FOR  
FAMILIES CLASS TODAY!**

**MEET OTHER DEAF ADULTS  
GET SUPPORT IN LEARNING NEW  
ZEALAND SIGN LANGUAGE AT HOME  
LEARN ABOUT PRACTICAL GAMES AND  
RESOURCES TO USE WITH YOUR CHILD**

### THE BENEFITS INCLUDE:

CLEARER COMMUNICATION

BETTER EXPRESSION OF  
FEELINGS AND EMOTIONS

LESS FRUSTRATION FOR BOTH  
ADULTS AND CHILDREN

CLOSER RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN DEAF  
CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES



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# For your calendar...

<p><b>Saturday 13th August, 3.00 pm</b></p> <p><b>C2 Youth Group (10yrs and up) – bowling fun</b></p>	<p><b>AMF Panmure, 523A Ellerslie-Panmure Hwy, Mt Wellington, Auckland 1060</b></p> <p>This is a fabulous opportunity to kick back and meet other deaf and hearing impaired youth. Show us how it's done, or use the bumper lanes for improved confidence!</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 6th September, 7.30pm</b></p> <p><b>APODC Committee meeting</b></p>	<p><b>Hearing House, Cnr Campbell Rd and William Ave, Greenlane.</b></p> <p>Meet the APODC management committee and have your say on how we should work for families with deaf and hearing impaired children. Observers and visitors are always welcome.</p>
<p><b>Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> September, 10am</b></p> <p><b>Coffee group for parents with young deaf children</b></p>	<p><b>Windsor Café Windsor, 550 East Coast Road, Windsor Park, Auckland 0630</b></p> <p>Good coffee, and good company. Meet other parents of deaf and hearing impaired children, whilst your little ones play together in a fun indoor play area.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September</b></p> <p><b>Tip Top ice cream factory tour</b></p>	<p><b>Tip Top Factory, 113 Carbine Road, Mt Wellington, Auckland</b></p> <p>With lots of goodies to sample – why wouldn't you!</p>
<p><b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 3pm</b></p> <p><b>Razza Matazz Show</b></p>	<p><b>Clouston Hall, St Cuthberts School, 122 Market Rd Epsom</b></p> <p>Free visual fest of comedy, puppetry, magic and more, courtesy of the Kids Foundation. This show is accessible for children with diverse needs</p>
<p><b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2.30pm</b></p> <p><b>Rock Climbing (Extreme Edge)</b></p>	<p><b>Extreme Edge, 5 Waikaukau Road, Glen Eden, Auckland 0602</b></p> <p>Bring the family along and try something new. Climbing arena complete themed play area for young children (ages 3 and up). Fun for all</p>
<p><b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November,</b></p> <p><b>Farmers Santa Parade</b></p>	<p><b>Left of The Scenic Hotel, 380 Queen Street</b></p> <p>Join us to welcome in the festive season. Get in the mood with Auckland's largest and most prestigious parades. This is its 83<sup>rd</sup> year!</p>
<p><b>Early - mid December</b></p> <p><b>APODC Christmas Party</b></p>	<p><b>Venue and Date to be confirmed next month</b></p> <p>Make space in your diaries for this fabulous end of year get together</p>



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