



Newsletter March 2018



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NAU MAI and Welcome to APODC!

APODC is: a not-for-profit, inclusive organisation, made up of parents and carers with a deaf or hearing impaired child. All needs, communication methods, and cultural backgrounds are welcome here!

What we do: APODC runs a wide range of fun social, and information sharing events, that bring families together. Developing networks of peer support and friendship, help us celebrate our achievements and who we are, whilst meeting the challenges along the way.

Our goal: APODC children reaching their full potential.

2018 Membership Renewal

The \$20 membership fee is payable online:

ASB: 12-3011-0757651-00 (please give your name as a reference)

What's on this month?:

- * **Auckland Arts Festival — 8-25th March**
- * **NZSL for families, Manukau. Register by 20th March**
- * **Event review: Chipmunks Pakuranga**
- * **Looking for a Facebook administrator**
- * **Family Picnic with ADS — 25th March TIME CHANGE!**

Chipmunks Event Review

The first 2018 APODC event was held at Chipmunks, Pakuranga, on Sunday 4th March. New friendships were made, alongside a useful information exchange, and a great time!



Thanks to Committee member Chris Shields for hosting another well enjoyed event, & welcoming 2 new families into the fold. Your warm and knowledgeable approach helps new and existing members alike, to get the most out of APODC.

Thanks too to Chipmunks who looked after the group so well, and gave us a very generous reduced entry rate. We will be back!

New Zealand Sign Language

NZSL for Families

A 10 weeks NZSL for Families course in Manukau with a NZSL qualified mentor. Come every second week on Saturday morning to meet other families and practice NZSL.

Venue: Geneva-Elevator
14g Ryan Place, Manukau

Register online by 20th March:
Website: <https://www.mergenz.co.nz/course-dates>
Email: info@mergenz.co.nz | **Mobile:** 021 0771584

\$150 per family incl. TEST & handouts

**Every second Saturday
24th March
10am - 11.30am
(1.5 hrs each)**

Geneva Elevator

NZSL
New Zealand Sign Language Board

TeachSign

M E R G E N Z

AUCKLAND March 2018 ARTS FESTIVAL

aaf.co.nz 8–25 March 2018 #AKLFEST

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!



TICKETS
\$20*
NO BOOKING
FEES

NZSL EVENTS



AUCKLAND March 2018 ARTS FESTIVAL

**JACK CHARLES
V THE CROWN**



ABORIGINAL TRUE STORY
SUN 18 MAR. 5PM 

**THE NAKED
SAMOANS DO MAGIC**



COMEDY + MAGIC
SAT 24 MAR. 2PM 

JUNK



YOUTH CIRCUS
SUN 11 MAR. 1PM 

A O LANG PHO**



VIETNAMESE CIRCUS
SAT 17 MAR. 2PM
SUN 18 MAR. 1PM

AKRAM KHAN'S
GISELLE**



ENGLISH NATIONAL BALLET
SAT 3 MAR. 2PM
SUN 4 MAR. 5PM

*Price is per deaf/
hard-of-hearing person,
per show.
Bring a friend for
the same price.

**ANIKA MOA ON WHĀNAU DAY
SUN 25 MARCH 12PM FREE**



**Show with no dialogue.
NZSL video of story.

 aaf.co.nz/deaf TEXT 021 129 1786  access@aaf.co.nz

TICKETS

\$20 each for Accessible Programme performances,
plus 1 FREE accompanying adult ticket!

ENQUIRIES and BOOKINGS:

Email: access@aaf.co.nz OR **Phone:** 09 374 0310

See more on the Website: aaf.co.nz/access

Are you tech savvy?

Can you help us get the best use out of our Facebook page?



The APODC FaceBook page exists to support our mission to connect families and whānau, and to provide balance of information, that respects family choice.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/981153361914892/?ref=ts&fref=ts>

We are looking for an administrator for 1-2 hours a week, focusing on the following key tasks:

- Loading event flyers, taken from the newsletter
- Managing posts (each post requires pre-approval)

Please contact Cat if you are interested in helping:

coordinator@apodc.org.nz

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* We are keen to hear from anyone with ideas on how we can be more effective in using social media

2018 AUCKLAND DEAF SOCIETY AND AUCKLAND PARENTS OF DEAF CHILDREN



PICNIC IN THE PARK

SUNDAY 25TH MARCH

12PM - 4PM - POTTERS PARK

THIS YEAR WE ARE BACK IN POTTERS PARK FOR A FUN-FILLED DAY!



FACE PAINTER



BOUNCY CASTLE



SPLASH PAD



PICNIC GAMES



BUBBLE SHOW



BALLOON MODELLER

Please note the change in venue & timing

....and let us know if you can make it:

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AUCKLAND DEAF
SOCIETY INC



WE ARE BACK!!

**WE WILL BE SELLING DELICIOUS HOMEMADE FOOD &
NON-ALCOHOLIC DRINKS!**

MONDAY 26TH MARCH

11.30AM - 2PM

164 BALMORAL ROAD, BALMORAL

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

POP IN FOR YUMMY FOOD AND A CHAT!



*This is a child-friendly event with a new carpeted floor
and toys are available for your children to play with.*



Of course we are going again!.....

Tip Top Factory Tour

**Date and time: Monday 16th April
10.15 arrival, for the 10.30am tour**

**Who: Missed out last year, or new to
APODC? You will be first on the list,
but pls. get in quick (LTD. PLACES)**

COST: FREE FOR MEMBERS

Bookings:

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For Your Calendar...

Saturday 24th March NZSL for families course	Geneva Elevator, 14g Ryan Place, Manukau 10 week family sign language course (subsidies available)
8th-25th March Auckland Arts Festival	Refer to website for venue information: aaf.co.nz/access Accessible Programme for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, including 3 NZSL interpreted performances. Come and join the fun!
Sunday 25th March, 12-4pm Family picnic and games afternoon with ADS	Potters Park—173 Balmoral Road, Mt Eden (opposite side of the road to Auckland Deaf Society) Meet some of the members of Auckland Deaf Society, and enjoy lots of traditional games. Bring your own scrummy eats.
Monday 26th March, 11.30am—2pm Sign Café	Auckland Deaf Society, 164 Balmoral Road, Mt Eden Enjoy a treat, and practice your sign whilst the kids play
Tuesday 3rd April, 7.30pm Committee meeting Observers and participants welcome!	Joyce Fisher Pre-school, William Avenue, Greenlane Come and experience a Committee meeting, share your ideas, or sit back and observe. We would love to have you there
Monday 16th April, 10.15am Tip Top Tour	Tip Top Factory, 113 Carbine Road, Mt Wellington, Auckland It's an oldie, but a goodie! Come and learn some trade secrets, and enjoy your favourite.



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