



# Newsletter May 2017



**\*We have changed our email address. Please send your emails to Coordinator Cat:  
[catriona@apodc.org.nz](mailto:catriona@apodc.org.nz)**

**Our telephone number is the same: 022 0842244**

## 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 (0-18yrs). 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.

**Sign up NOW for 2017 Membership (\$20), and enjoy FREE OR Subsidised events for the whole family until the end of the year!**

**(ASB): 12-3011-0757651-00**

**(Please give your name as a reference)**

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

- ⇒ NZSL Week events, and KDEC Forums x 2
- ⇒ NZFDC AGM Saturday 13th May 9.30am, & Zircus Quirkus, Sunday 11th June
- ⇒ Parents Evening, Monday 15th May 6.30pm, & Session 2 'Emotional Wellbeing'
  - ⇒ Hosted introduction to Deaf Club, Friday 26th May, 5.30pm
  - ⇒ APODC AGM, Sunday 28th May, 3.30pm
  - ⇒ Event Review: Tip Top, and C2 Golf
  - ⇒ Camp, and APODC Scholarships (pls apply!)

# It's NZSL Week — get amongst it!



**Flyers for these events have been attached separately (PDF)**

- \* **Manurewa Marae Tour, Thursday 11th May**
- \* **Family Fun Night, Friday 12th May**
- \* **Deaf Deaf World, Thursday 18th May**
- \* **NZSL Games Night, Friday 16th June**



## KDEC Forums x 2

**Tuesday 23rd May, 5pm - 7pm**

**Central and West**

**Kelston Deaf Education Centre, 3  
Archibald Rd, Kelston**

Meet other families, and ask your questions

Meet Tom Purvis (acting CEO), & Michael  
Heeney (Regional RTD Manager)

Art activity & cup cake decorating

All whanau welcome

**Wednesday 31st May, 6pm-8pm**

**Franklin & South**

**Anton Centre, 42 Kerrykeel Drive,  
Flat Bush**

Find out about financial assistance, assis-  
tive devices for the home, scholarships/  
tutoring

A spirit of Adventure Experience

Kai provided

Please let your RTD know if you can attend

**NOTICE of the 41<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of NZ FEDERATION of DEAF CHILDREN**

**Date:** Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017

**Time:** 9:30am

**Place:** AUT South Campus, 640 Great South Road, Manukau, 2025

**Program:** Conference starts at 9:30am (morning tea at 10.00am)

Guest speaker 10.30-12.30

Lunch 12.30

AGM 1.30– 3.00 pm approximately



\*NZFDC is the umbrella organisation for regional parent groups including APODC (APODC's AGM is on 28th May)



This zaney crew is back for 1 day only (ltd tickets)!

**Sunday 11th June**

Shows at 11am, 2pm and 5pm (90 mins)

Logan Campbell Centre, ASB Show Grounds

Sponsored event—FREE to APODC Families

For tickets pls. email: [catriona@apodc.org.nz](mailto:catriona@apodc.org.nz)

**OR Text 022 0842244**



## **APODC Parents Info. Evening**

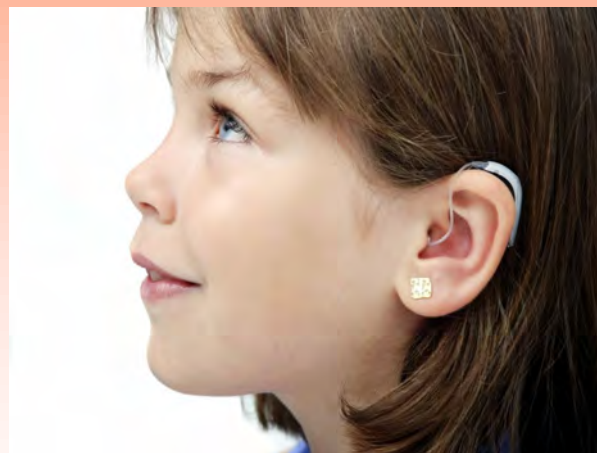
**An introduction to support for parents with a deaf or hearing impaired child**

**Monday 15th May**

**6.30-8.45pm**

**Unit 1, Ministry of Education**

**16 Bishop Dunn Place, Flat Bush**



- Audiology and devices
- Professional roles
- Education and language options
- Where else to go for support & when

**Please Email OR Text the Coordinator to book:  
[catriona@apodc.org.nz](mailto:catriona@apodc.org.nz) 022 0842244**



**Also taking bookings for session 2:  
'Emotional Wellbeing & deaf/HOH children'  
Saturday 17th or Sunday 18th June @ 3.30pm  
Date and Venue to be confirmed soon**



# Hosted Introduction To Deaf Club (Kiwiana theme)

Friday 26th May @ 5.30pm



- Ever wondered what life is like in the Deaf Community?
- Auckland Deaf Society is hosting APODC families and whanau at Deaf Club (social hub of the Deaf Community), for an evening of fun

**ALL WELCOME!**

**Please confirm your attendance: [Catriona@apodc.org.nz](mailto:Catriona@apodc.org.nz)**

**022 0842244**

Auckland Deaf Society Club  
Rooms (ground floor)  
164 Balmoral Road, Mount Eden  
Auckland 1024

# Invitation to APODC AGM

**Sunday 28th May, 3.30pm**



**Please help us continue to deliver APODC Services**

- We are looking for **1 parent from each family** to attend please. You will only be required to stay for **1hr.**
- This is an adult only affair so that you can enjoy a **glass of wine, some nibbles and social time with other parents.**
- If you or someone you know is interested in joining the APODC Committee please contact us: **catriona@apodc.org.nz / 022 0842244**

## **DRAFT PROGRAM**

1. Open, welcome, and apologies
2. Minutes from 2016 AGM
3. Matters arising
4. President's report
5. Financial Report
6. Election of Committee members

**Time to mingle, and enjoy some refreshments!**

Please confirm your attendance: Text/Ph: 022 084 2244

OR Email: [Catriona@apodc.org.nz](mailto:Catriona@apodc.org.nz)



**Tip Top Tour** — Our Easter holiday tour of ice-cream world was well over subscribed. It was great to see so many happy faces. Who says that ice-cream is not good for the you?!! Look out for a re-run of Tip Top in the next school holidays (provisional date Wednesday 12th July). **Thank you Leanne and Gillian for facilitating this tour, you did a great job, and to Mike for interpreting among this rowdy crew!**



**EVENT REVIEW**

**C2 youth golf program** — It was so great to see 10 youth aged 11—17 yrs having fun together, developing new friendships, and skills, during the 1st session of the 6wk program, which took place at Remuera GC on Sunday. **Thank you to teachers Ray and Conal, and to Mike again for interpreting for us. We look forward to next week.**





## **APODC CAMP**

**17-19th November 2017**

**Carey Park, 397 Henderson  
Valley Rd. Waitakere**

**\$70 for ALL Member Families!  
(Cost covers the whole family)**

**ASB: 12-3011-075765100**

**(Pls use your family name as a reference)**

### **Other News:**

**NZSL webpage:** a free resource to help those learning basic NZ sign language around the country was launched on Friday 7th April.

Have a look and see what you think: <http://www.learnnzsl.nz/>

**Single Sided Deafness:** There are a number of families across the country who are advocating for better clarity in services in Health and Education for children who are deaf in one ear, and the need for a fairer assessment criteria.

If you would like to be involved in these discussions or have something you would like to share with us to take to negotiations, please contact NZFDC: [info@deafchildren.org.nz](mailto:info@deafchildren.org.nz)



## What's your goal?

Are you at school? Been a full member of APODC for 2 yrs or more?

**APPLY NOW for up to \$2,000**



**Some examples of costs that you could apply for:**

- **Tutoring assistance**
- **Attending a camp**
- **Taking part in sports, art, theatre, dance, or music OR**
- **An overseas experience**

**Click the link below for the Application Form**

**<http://www.apodc.org.nz/system/files/Scholarship%20Application%20Form%202010.pdf>**



**Join APODC on Facebook**

**<https://www.facebook.com/groups981153361914892/?ref=ts>**

**Connect, share, and find out what's happening for deaf and hearing impaired children**

## For Your Calendar...

<p><b>Thursday 11th May, 11.15am</b></p> <p><b>Manurewa Marae Tour</b></p>	<p><b>Manurewa Marae, 81 Finlayson Avenue, Clendon Park, Manukau City</b></p> <p>Free interpreted and spoken tour, telling of the history and the story of Manurewa Marae (see flyer attached to email)</p>
<p><b>Fri 12th May, 6.30-9.30pm</b></p> <p><b>Family Fun Night</b></p>	<p><b>Auckland Deaf Society, 164 Balmoral Road, Mount Eden</b></p> <p>Enjoy a fun evening of NZSL games and prizes for the whole family</p>
<p><b>Saturday 13th May, 9.30am. AGM starts at 1.30pm</b></p> <p><b>NZFDC AGM</b></p>	<p><b>AUT South Campus, 640 Great South Road, Manukau, 2025</b></p> <p>Have your say at the AGM of our parent body, and meet families from across New Zealand</p>
<p><b>Sunday 14th May, 9.30am</b></p> <p><b>C2 Youth Golf—Session 2</b></p>	<p><b>Remuera Golf Club, 120 Abbotts Way, Remuera</b></p> <p>Learn new skills, meet new friends, and have lots of fun!</p>
<p><b>Monday 15th May, 6.30-8.45pm</b></p> <p><b>Parents Info. Evening Understanding the System</b></p>	<p><b>Unit 1, MOE, Bishop Dunn Place, Flat Bush</b></p> <p>Find out about audiology, devices, education, professional roles, communication options, support services and how it all fits together!</p>
<p><b>Thursday 18th, and Friday 19th May, 7pm</b></p> <p><b>Deaf Deaf World (see flyer)</b></p>	<p><b>Club Rooms (ground floor), 164 Balmoral Road, Mount Eden</b></p> <p>Take part in this fun game where you buy pretend groceries from NZSL tutors! A fun way to scrub up those NZSL skills. Gold coin entry.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 23rd May, 5-7pm</b> <b>Wednesday 31st, 6-8pm</b></p> <p><b>KDEC Parents Forums</b></p>	<p><b>23rd May — KDEC, 3 Archibald Road, Kelston, and 31st May—Anton Centre 42 Kerrykeel Drive, Flat Bush</b></p> <p>This is a great opportunity to learn more about education at KDEC, and to find out information on a range of topics (see flyer for 31st attached).</p>
<p><b>Friday 26th May, 5.30pm</b></p> <p><b>Hosted intro to Deaf Club</b></p>	<p><b>Club Rooms (ground floor), 164 Balmoral Road, Mount Eden</b></p> <p>Enjoy a fun introduction to the Deaf Community, in their social space.</p>
<p><b>Sunday 28th May, 3.30pm</b></p> <p><b>APODC AGM</b></p>	<p><b>Board Room (1st floor), 164 Balmoral Road, Mount Eden</b></p> <p>Please come and support your parent group, whilst enjoying some time with other parents. We need to hear your feedback.</p>
<p><b>Friday 17th – Sunday 19th November</b></p> <p><b>APODC CAMP</b></p>	<p><b>Carey Park, 397 Henderson Valley Road, Waitakere</b></p> <p>This is the pinnacle of our calendar and is enjoyed by all. We very much hope you can make this fest of inter-family quality time.</p>