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**To:** "Anne-Elise Smithson"  
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Kind regards  
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## Mid September Newsletter

Hi Lynn

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### **Meet NAO - the humanoid robot**

If you missed us on Breakfast this morning talking about NAO's visit, here's the link to the programme:  
<http://tvnz.co.nz/breakfast-news/humanoid-robots-inspiring-autistic-children-s-learning-video-6388400>

Don't miss our free demonstrations with the robot tomorrow after school:

**When:** Thursday 17 September - 4-5pm or 5-6pm,  
Yes Disability Centre, 3 William Laurie Place, Albany  
**RSVP essential: [enquiry@autism.org.nz](mailto:enquiry@autism.org.nz)**

### **Spark Centre OPEN DAY**

The Spark Centre of Creative Development invites you to their open day on 26 September, 10am-2pm.

The Centre is changing their name, so don't miss the unveiling at 11am!

Activities will include: exhibitions of affordable art, art-making, \$2 sausage sizzle and activities for all the family

Spark Centre Studio, Fowlds Park, Rocky Nook Ave, St Lukes  
[www.sparkcentre.org.nz](http://www.sparkcentre.org.nz)

For more information [click here](#)

### **'Hands On' Autism Workshops in October**

'Hands On' Autism is an interactive day workshops, personalised to meet the needs of families and those working with children with autism.

Topics include: strategies for dealing with difficult behavior and developing social skills, including play, interacting with others, and effective communication.

Guest speakers: Lisa Martin (Disability Connect), Arletta van den Bosch (CAF, Family & Child Counselling), Elisa Sizat (CAF Services Manager & ABA Therapist), Sacha Crutzen (CAF, Join In Co-ordinator), Robin Barnaby (Idea Services)

**Dates and venues:**  
22 October, 9am-4pm, Wilson Home, Takapuna  
31 October, 9am-4pm, Manukau New Life Church  
14 November, 9am-4pm, Wesley Centre, Mt Roskill

Book before 30 Sep for one free ticket per family  
**Costs:**  
\$30/family member or student,  
\$120 for professionals.  
**RSVP essential: [enquiry@autism.org.nz](mailto:enquiry@autism.org.nz)**

### **Southern Stars Charitable Trust - Charlotte's Webb Pantomime - Free tickets**

#### **Charlotte's Webb**

Date: Saturday, 10 October  
Sessions: 10am; 1pm; 5pm  
Venue: Logan Campbell Centre, ASB Showgrounds, Greenlane Rd West, Auckland

For tickets, please email [enquiry@autism.org.nz](mailto:enquiry@autism.org.nz) stating name, address, how many adults/children and preferred session time (for children with special needs and their families).

### **Community services**

#### **North Shore ASD Support Group**

For parents of children on the spectrum (all ages)

Windsor Park Baptist Church, Rimu Room  
550 East Coast Rd, Mairangi Bay

Next meeting: 25 Sep, 10am  
Changing the Autism world through RPM

Contact:  
Helen Milimine  
[nsasdsupportgroup@gmail.com](mailto:nsasdsupportgroup@gmail.com)

#### **Disability Connect Workshops**

##### **Trusts & Welfare Guardianship Seminar**

\*Wednesday 21 October, 7-9pm  
YES Disability Resource Centre,  
3 William Laurie Place, Albany

Free of charge (optional CD Rom of legal documents for \$10)

#### **Chinese Families Autism Support Group**

More info:  
[sanny@disabilityconnect.org.nz](mailto:sanny@disabilityconnect.org.nz)

#### **Indian Families of children with special needs**

Next meeting:  
24 September 5-8pm  
Nathan Homestead, 70 Hill Road, Manurewa

More info:  
[sanny@disabilityconnect.org.nz](mailto:sanny@disabilityconnect.org.nz)

#### **Work & Income Support Seminars**

**15 October and 21 October**  
Free seminars about Work & Income supports for individuals living with or raising a child with a disability

\*Thurs 15th Oct, 7-9pm  
Integrated Neurological Rehabilitation Foundation  
2 Claude Brookes Drive, Henderson

\*Wed, 21 Oct, 12.30-2.30pm  
Disability Connect Premises  
3b Olive Road, Penrose

Contact: Disability Connect  
[admin@disabilityconnect.org.nz](mailto:admin@disabilityconnect.org.nz)

#### **IDEA Services**

##### **Growing up with Autism Parent Education**

20 week programme for parents of children 11-16 years  
E-mail: [GUWA@idea.org.nz](mailto:GUWA@idea.org.nz)  
Phone: 0800 273 7587

#### **Drum for Fun Social Groups**

Taking registrations now for September  
Interactive drumming group programme  
\*Tuesdays, 4 - 4:45pm  
\$120 for 8 group sessions

Click here [For more info](#)  
Or email: [specialist.support@idea.org.nz](mailto:specialist.support@idea.org.nz)

#### **ASD Kids Trust**

ASD Kids Trust have a new low-impact aqua fitness class



### Join In Jumping Beans - term 4

Spaces available, in term 4, for this fun, child-centred, physical ASD development programme for 3-6 year olds. Join In Jumping Beans helps to build motor and social skills through repetitive movements, activities and action songs.

\* Every Tuesday 1:15 - 2:15pm, Grey Lynn Community Centre, 510 Richmond Road

\*Subsidised price  
Prepay \$120 for 8 sessions  
RSVP essential: [enquiry@autism.org.nz](mailto:enquiry@autism.org.nz)



### Parliament seeking public submissions

Public submissions are now being invited on the Inquiry into the identification and support for students with the significant challenges of dyslexia, dyspraxia, and autism spectrum disorders in primary and secondary schools.

The closing date for submissions is Friday, 2 October 2015

For more info:

[http://www.parliament.nz/en-nz/pb/sc/make-submission/51SCES\\_SCF\\_00DBSCH\\_INQ\\_64710\\_1/inquiry-into-the-identification-and-support-for-students](http://www.parliament.nz/en-nz/pb/sc/make-submission/51SCES_SCF_00DBSCH_INQ_64710_1/inquiry-into-the-identification-and-support-for-students)



Takapuna Pool and Leisure Centre  
37 Killamey street,  
Ph 4863286  
Every Wednesday

For more  
info: [www.asdkidstrust.com](http://www.asdkidstrust.com)

### 2015 - Education Legal Issues

A presentation by  
Nan Jensen, Quinlaw  
Hosted by Disability Connect

For the parents of disabled students  
who are concerned with the  
support entitlement for their child  
in NZ Schools.

Wed, 23 September, 7-9pm  
Rosehill Special School,  
48 Rosehill Drive, Papakura

Tues, 13 October, 7-9pm  
Integrated Neurological  
Rehabilitation Foundation  
2 Claude Brookes Drive, Henderson

Wed, 14 October 12:30-2:30pm  
Independent Living Service,  
14 Erson Ave, Royal Oak

Wed, 14 October, 7-9pm  
Independent Living Service,  
14 Erson Ave, Royal Oak

Wednesday 28 October, 7-9pm  
YES Disability Resource Centre,  
3 William Laurie Place, Albany

RSVP: 636 0351  
or [admin@disabilityconnect.org.nz](mailto:admin@disabilityconnect.org.nz)

### Squirrel Yoga

Tailored, private yoga therapy  
for all ages  
with learning & developmental  
differences  
(including ASD)

[www.squirrelyoga.co.nz](http://www.squirrelyoga.co.nz)

### Websites to check out

[www.ihc.org.nz/our-services/specialist-services/autism-programmes/](http://www.ihc.org.nz/our-services/specialist-services/autism-programmes/)

[www.disabilityconnect.org.nz](http://www.disabilityconnect.org.nz)

[www.yesdisability.org.nz](http://www.yesdisability.org.nz)

[www.aucklanddyspraxia.org.nz](http://www.aucklanddyspraxia.org.nz)

[www.adhd.org.nz](http://www.adhd.org.nz)

[www.wilsonhometrust.org.nz](http://www.wilsonhometrust.org.nz)

[www.autismnz.org.nz](http://www.autismnz.org.nz)

[www.altogetherautism.org.nz](http://www.altogetherautism.org.nz)

[www.sparkcentre.org.nz](http://www.sparkcentre.org.nz)

[www.dancetherapy.co.nz](http://www.dancetherapy.co.nz)

[www.dottywobble.com](http://www.dottywobble.com)

[www.everydayot.com](http://www.everydayot.com)

Attachments: [Open\\_Day\\_2015\\_DLE\\_FINAL.pdf](#)

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