

Autism end-of Aug News 2017

Dear CAF Supporter

Here's info about our upcoming workshops and events

Help get Arletta & Gera to APAC

Children's Autism is fundraising to send Arletta and Gera (Lead Family Consultant and Services Manager) to the [Asia Pacific Autism Conference \(APAC\)](#) held in September in Sydney.



APAC brings together members of the autism community from around the world and includes international keynote speakers.

Having Arletta and Gera attend helps us learn more about current developments in autism and latest international research. This is part of our wider goal of ensuring children with Autism Spectrum, supported by their families and communities, realise their potential and achieve their very best.

'Growing with autism' is APAC's theme this year, reflecting the shift in autism research and practice to look beyond the early childhood and school years and focus on the whole lifespan for people on the spectrum.

To send Arletta and Gera to APAC, we need to raise a further \$2000. Your help would be greatly appreciated to achieve this final goal!

The Children's Autism Foundation is committed to best practice, evidence-based services, and we welcome this opportunity!

To make a donation towards this goal, please see our [Givealittle page](#)

MAKE A DONATION OF \$100 OR MORE AND WE'LL SEND YOU A RUGBY WORLD CUP 2015 ALL BLACKS JACKET!

Everyday Transitions Workshop - 23 Aug

Community Notices

Children's Autism

Everyday Transitions

23 Aug, 7-9pm
Botany

Understanding Autism Hamilton

24 Aug, 7-9pm
The Link Centre
Hamilton

Dealing with Anxiety

31 Aug, 7-9pm
West Harbour

Dealing with Anxiety Northland

1 Sep, 1-3pm
Whangarei

Everyday Transitions

19 Sep, 7-9pm
Northcote

Strategies for Behaviour

24 Oct, 7-9pm
Takapuna

'Hands On' Autism

4 Nov, 9am-4pm
Manurewa

Clip 'n Climb

Next sessions:
29 Oct & 26 Nov
More info on [website](#)

Please register for our workshops [online](#)

Disability Connect

Support Groups for:

Culturally Diverse
Chinese Families
Indian Community

Seminars on:

Education Legal Issues
Individualised Funding
Living Options
Planning for Adulthood
Transitions

Would you like to help your child through a tricky transition period at home, at school, or in the wider community?



23 August 2017, 7-9pm
St Columba Church, 480 Ti Rakau Dr, Botany

FREE for families and carers or \$40 for professionals (unless you bring a family with you).

Register [here](#)

Understanding Autism Hamilton

In this interactive workshop, you will gain knowledge about the autism spectrum and how you can best support a young person as a parent/carer or a professional.



24 August, 6:45 – 9 pm
The Link Centre
Cnr River Road & Te Aroha St
Hamilton

FREE for families/carers. Refreshments provided.

Register [here](#)

This workshop has been made possible thanks to Pub Charity.

Dealing with Anxiety - 31 Aug

An interactive and informative workshop that includes the following topics: what is anxiety, examples of social interactions that lead to anxiety and strategies for dealing with it (anxiety toolkits).

31 Aug, 7-9pm
Manutewhau Community House, 71 Oreil Ave
West Harbour

FREE to families and carers that register or \$40 for professionals (unless you bring a family with you).

Register [here](#)

[More info](#)

Dance and Arts Therapy

Dance Therapy for young people with special needs including Autism
Onehunga Community Centre
Tuesdays at 3.30pm
Gold coin donation

(09) 636 3029
www.dancetherapy.co.nz

Mapura Studios

NEW Art Group for Teens

For 12+ years
All abilities, particular provisions for autistic young people.
A safe environment to express themselves creatively.

Tuesdays, 4-5pm
Ph 09 845 5361
e: alex@mapurastudios.org.nz
www.mapurastudios.org.nz

PHAB

Teen Social Groups

Spaces available in fun, interactive groups around Auckland.
For people with disabilities aged 16 and over.
More info: Chewy on 09 488 7490 or chewy@phab.org.nz

KidsLink

Assessing Learning Needs & Dyslexia

Guest speakers on dyslexia, dyspraxia, dyscalculia, ADHD, how they can affect learning & behaviour

Wed 30 Aug
Maungawhau School

More [info](#)

My Voice Matters

Find out all you need to know about having your say this election day

My Voice Matters invites all to a free interactive workshop that shows disability is no barrier to participation. The session covers:

- Your right to vote
- Why voting is important
- Accessible voting options

Fri, 25 Aug
CCS Disability Action
Erson Ave, Royal Oak

Click [here](#) to register

More info: Phone 09 625 9378 or 0272 034 083
shirin.jayawant@ccsdisabilityaction.org.nz

One of several seminars across Auckland.

Community Noticeboard

University of Auckland Eye Tracking Research

Seeking participants for a project involving typically developing children, and children with ASD to understand what interests autistic children. Think you can help?

Details: *Ages: 5-12 years *Time: approx 1 hour *Your child will watch short videos (while they track their eyes) and do an I.Q test *parents will be asked about child's preferences and medical history.

More info: Lisa Hamm l.hamm@auckland.ac.nz

Please see flyer attached.

Canterbury University Sleep and Autism Survey

A project to help researchers understand parents' perceptions of the nature and cause of sleep problems in their children with ASD and their experiences.

If you have a child on the spectrum who struggles with sleep you're invited to complete the survey [here](#)

More info: Laurie McLay: laurie.mclay@canterbury.ac.nz

If you'd like to post on our noticeboard, please send your message of around 20 words to: enquiry@autism.org.nz.

Websites to Check Out

www.autism.org.nz

Children's Autism Foundation

www.autismnz.org.nz

Autism New Zealand

www.adhd.org.nz

ADHD Association

www.altogetherautism.org.nz

Altogether Autism

www.aucklanddyspraxia.org.nz

Dyspraxia Association

www.disabilityconnect.org.nz

Disability Connect

www.childisplayot.net

Child's Play OT

www.ccsdisabilityaction.org.nz

CCS Disability Action

www.dancetherapy.co.nz

Dance Therapy

www.enrichplus.org.nz

Enrich+
Education, Employment,
Empowerment

www.everydayot.com

Everyday OT
For skate, holidays, adventure,
surfing.

www.focustherapy.co.nz

Focus Therapy O. T. Brain Gym,
Educ. Kinesiologist

www.ihc.org.nz

Idea Services

www.mapurastudios.org.nz

(Arts)

www.taikura.org.nz

(NASC Auckland)

www.talklink.org.nz

Talklink Trust

www.yesdisability.org.nz

Yes Disability

www.parenttoparent.org.nz

Includes Altogether Autism &
Care Matters

Attachments:

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