



# APODC Newsletter April 2019

Welcome to our New Look Newsletter!



We have been working extremely hard over the past couple of months to bring APODC, our communications, our image and branding up to date. This newsletter has been created in MailChimp, so that you don't need to download to read our news and see what's happening.

Whilst there's lots of new online capability, you can still talk to us via Phone/text: [022 084 2244](tel:0220842244) AND email: [coordinator@apodc.org.nz](mailto:coordinator@apodc.org.nz) We hope that you like the new look. Your feedback is always appreciated.

**NEW Website – Going Live Today!**  
Please visit our new site, and enter our Soft Launch Competition (details below).



**CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE!**

- Check out all the services and supports that we offer
- Check out who we work with and who sponsors and supports our work
- Sign up for Membership
- Book to attend events
- Give a 1 off, or regular donation to help us continue our work.
- Check out the embedded feed to our new [Facebook Page](#), for sector events, and discussion.
- Find forms including our Scholarship application form, and Members Questionnaire.

**NOTE:** If you have been a member for 2 years or more, and your child is attending secondary school, they, or you can apply for up to \$2,000 to help with the costs of taking part in an enrichment activity. Tell us why this is valuable to you and your family, and we will consider your application.

[Click here for more information.](#)

## New Logo!





An APODC parent has been working alongside the Committee, to refresh the former black and white APODC logo. The new design has been created to draw upon our diverse and colourful identity. We are so grateful to the parent who contributed design expertise, and so much time and patience with us, to come up with the new design. We very much hope that you all like it.

# Soft Launch Competition



When you visit the website, you will see the pop-up reminder to enter our **Soft Launch competition**.

There are 5 questions, which you can answer online by clicking the, 'Enter competition' button. This competition is designed to get you looking around the site. We will announce the winners at the Website Launch and AGM Family event.

Up for grabs are:

- A family pass to Butterfly Creek
- Smiggle vouchers
- Other goodies for kids, and adults alike

CLICK HERE TO ENTER THE COMPETITION

## Website Launch, and AGM Special Family Event at Butterfly Creek on 28th April, 2-5pm

We only have a few family spaces available for this event, as it has been extremely popular. Please book in this weekend if you would like to attend. Once places are full, we won't be able to take any further bookings. You can book your places, by clicking on the '[Special Family afternoon and AGM event](#)' box, in the events section, at the bottom of the home page, and hit the pink, 'Register Free Today' button.

# Event Review



On Sunday 24th March, APODC ADS and First Signs held a fabulous community picnic. We very much appreciate working with sector partners in helping families and whanau access information and services in the same place. It was wonderful to have lots of Deaf Community members attending, and helping out, and lots of people volunteering.

Thank you so much, everyone, and particularly Taryn who had a large role in setting everything up. We love working with you all and hope that we can do lots more. The kids loved the bouncy castle, as did several passers by! They also loved the traditional park games and races which got everyone interacting. Lastly, Popcorn the clown was a hit, and we may see him again in the future (especially if he slows down a bit!).

## NZSL Week – North Shore Coffee Group and Play



**event, Saturday 11th May at Extreme Entertainment,  
Kidzone, Wairau Valley, 2-4pm**



APODC and Deaf Aotearoa are offering a Special NZSL Week event for families and whanau!

Kids aged 0-12yrs old, can explore the largest indoor playground in NZ, with 4 levels, including a fun maze, and separate play areas for under 5's to enjoy. Parents can enjoy a hot drink, and an informal opportunity to try out some NZSL.

Kidzone offers a 'No Parent, No Exit' policy, so that the kids can't sneak out without you! DA and APODC are sharing the entrance fees for the kids! 1 free hot drink offered per adult.



You will be able to book online from next week, or you can still book via the traditional methods of phone/text: [022 084 2244](tel:0220842244) AND email: [coordinator@apodc.org.nz](mailto:coordinator@apodc.org.nz)



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