

# Apps for Autism Spectrum Disorder Workshop

## Information Sheet

*Apps for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)* is an informative and practical workshop for parents and teachers of preschool children who have ASD with delayed social-communication and learning needs. It is designed to show participants who have an iPad or tablet how to make the most of their device and how to download quality reliable apps that will encourage children to learn.

### Why do this?

#### Learning outcomes:

- Learn about the basics of the iPad or tablet and also become familiar with all the inbuilt features.
- Be able to locate all the accessibility settings on your tablet or iPad and know how to select the appropriate ones to personalise the device for your child's learning.
- Learn how to select apps that are reliable and well made
- Learn how to create resources for children with ASD (visual schedules, social stories, communication books) with several quality apps

### Who should attend?

Parents, early childhood teachers or teacher aides who own or can bring an iPad or tablet

### How much does it cost?

- Parents/family members: \$75 per person
- Teachers/Teacher aides/other professionals: \$115 per person

*Payment:* On receiving registration an invoice will be sent with payment details.  
Light morning tea is provided, BYO your own lunch

### Dates, Times and Locations

The one day workshop is from 9.30am to 2.30pm around various locations in NZ – check out our website for further details or call **0800 273 7587**

### Registering for the 'Apps for Autism'

- Complete the online registration OR
- Print out the registration form and post or email back to Mary Romanos, see details below  
\*Spaces are limited to 15\*

#### \*Note:

- It would be beneficial if you could download both the *Book Creator* and *Pic Collage* apps (both are on apple & android) to bring along installed on your iPad or tablet. (*Pic Collage* is free and *Book Creator* is \$6.49c). An alternative is *Pictello* (\$20.00) (for iPad only).

## For more information

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Please contact Mary Romanos:

Phone: 0800 273 7587

Email: [mary.romanos@idea.org.nz](mailto:mary.romanos@idea.org.nz)

Post: IDEA Services, PO Box 4155, Wellington, 6140

## Who we are

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Community Specialist Services is a NZ-wide team of nearly 40 experienced health professionals who provide a range of clinical/specialist services for adults, children and families affected by ASD and/or intellectual disability. These include:

- Consultancy & Training Service
- Therapy services including Psychology, Speech & Language Therapy, Arts Therapy, Drum for Fun and Social Skills groups
- ASD Plus: Parent Education Programme (national contract with MoH/MoE)
- ASD Communication & Behaviour Service (national contract with MoH)
- Growing Up With Autism, Education for Parents (national contract with MoH)

\*Community Specialist Services is a branch of IDEA Services

## Facilitator Profile

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### Lynley Kerr

### Dunedin and Christchurch

Lynley Kerr is a registered Speech Language therapist with a post-graduate diploma in Special education. Lynley has worked with people with disabilities and communication difficulties for 21 years in a variety of settings. She has worked in Early Intervention with children with disabilities for 15 years where her interest and experience in alternative and augmentative communication was gained. Lynley has worked for IDEA Services for 6 years and has led the introduction of ipads and tablets for communication in several areas of New Zealand

## Recommended Relevant Resources

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- [www.spectronics.au.com](http://www.spectronics.au.com)
- <https://www.apple.com/nz/accessibility/ios/>
- [www.autismspeaks.org/autism-apps](http://www.autismspeaks.org/autism-apps)
- [www.redjumper.net](http://www.redjumper.net).
- <https://itunes.apple.com/nz/app/book-creator-for-ipad-create/id442378070?mt=8>
- <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=net.redjumper.bookcreator>
- <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.cardinalblue.piccollage.google&hl=en>
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