



June/July 2011

New Staff

Video Chat

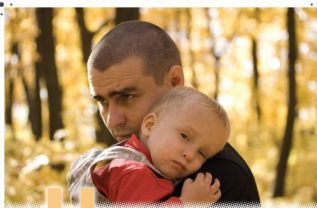
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Christchurch Newsletter

Introducing: There has been a number of changes at the Christchurch office. Mark Grimes who was the Christchurch Coordinator for Christchurch has returned to England. Mark was an important part of the Trust who made a big impact. Mark, your work was much appreciated and you will be greatly missed. Our support worker Peter Walker has stepped into the role as coordinator, while new go to man Craig Singleton has been employed as the support worker.

Justin Makinson joins our team as a youth worker; Justin's role is to assist the trust to develop a service to support teenage parents and families. Once implemented, Justin will then engage with families to support teenage parents specifically with a fathering perspective.

Video Chat: Father and Child can now offer a keep in touch service, especially if you are separated from your family. We are able to facilitate a video conference with you and your loved ones. *Providing they have internet access.*

Playgroup: New Dads and Kids playgroup has been going for a number of weeks on Thursday mornings between 10.30am and 12.00pm at Plunket - 38 Portsmouth Street, Aranui. It would be wonderful to see more of you guys there with your young ones.

Teen Dads Service: The Father and Child Trust has been working on developing the teen dads service. Justin Makinson has been employed as a youth support worker to work with young parents and families. Justin has begun his work in developing a model to work form with young families. We have linked our service with Waipuna; Waipuna will connect with young mothers while the Trust links with young fathers. Waipuna and Father and Child acknowledge that involvement of fathers is a very important part of a child's development. To get optimal benefits for a child, mothers and fathers need to work together, and the two Trusts believe that this parental co-operation should be encouraged, expected, nurtured and role-modelled by those working with families. If young women and men are to work together as parents, they must both be given the tools for parenting and also to maintain a co-operative relationship with each other. Therefore all information, education and support related to parenting and relationship issues will be delivered to both parents together. Watch this space for more information on the service.

Donating: Buying or selling? Wishing you could donate more money to the Father and Child Trust? Then check out www.usave.co.nz. The website has been specifically set up for charities, schools and community groups so that when you buy or sell, 50% of the commission is sent to the charity of your choice.

Budgeting Advice: Are your finances a worry? Do you need more money? Harald is now available for budgeting advice . Please phone for an appointment.

Opening Hours: Drop in from 10.00am till 2.00pm or other times by appointment.

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