



# Joining the **KIDS FRIENDLY** Network Application Form

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Presbyterian Church  
of Aotearoa New Zealand

Please return a copy of the completed application form and donation to:

Jill Kayser, Kids Friendly, 100 St Heliers Bay Road, Auckland, 1071

\_\_\_\_\_ Church of \_\_\_\_\_ Presbytery

Would like to:

Join the Kids Friendly Network

Work to become a Kids Friendly Church

## Kids Friendly Network members receive:

- Kids Friendly news including the seasonal “Hands On” newsletter and email news of ideas, resources and events.
- Invitations to Kids Friendly events.
- Advice (email and telephone) on Kids Friendly issues and requirements eg safety protocol and policy, including children in worship, community outreach, curriculum, employment etc.
- Kids Friendly Resource Manual including Safety in Children’s Ministry, Employing a Children’s Ministry Worker, Kids Friendly Ideals and Self-Review and other resources as they are developed.

## Churches working to become “Kids Friendly” agree to a process that includes/requires:

- A Kids Friendly presentation to the session/parish council
- A commitment by the minister, children’s ministry worker and session to:
  - sign the Kids Friendly Pledge (see attached)
  - form a Kids Friendly “Dream (review) Team” to work through the “Kids Friendly Ideals and Self-Review” resource
  - work towards Kids Friendly goals
- complete the self-review process and documentation
- Coaching meetings (optional) with the Kids Friendly Coach to help churches develop a strategy and meet goals identified through the self review process.
- An assessment by the Kids Friendly Coach of the church’s self-review process and supporting documentation.
- A willingness to brand their church Kids Friendly through the use of signage and logos once they have been assessed “Kids Friendly” by the coach.
- A willingness to share resources and ideas with other churches.

*\*Churches who wish to contract to become “Kids Friendly” should have this agreed to by session/parish council and submit the signed pledge (attached) with their network application form or with their Kids Friendly self-review documentation. Churches who only wish to join the network do not need to sign the pledge or gain session approval.*

**Do you identify yourself as?** (Please tick box)

**Actively Kids Friendly**

**Wanting to be Kids Friendly**

Name of Minister	Phone	Email
<b>Postal address:</b>		
Name of Children's Ministry Contact	Phone	Email
<b>Postal address:</b>		

**We enclose a cheque for \$75 (made out to PCANZ) as a donation towards the costs of producing the Kids Friendly Best Practice Resource Manual and "Hands On" newsletters.**

**We understand that we will be required to contribute to travel costs should we require the Kids Friendly Coach to meet with us for coaching.**

Your donation receipt will be sent with your resource manual.

*Kids Friendly is supported by funding from Synod of Otago and Southland and donations from Presbyterian Savings and Development Society, Presbyterian Foundation and Wellington Presbytery. All donations gratefully received.*

## CONTACT:



For more information please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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# THE KIDS FRIENDLY PLEDGE

We the Presbyterian/Union Church of \_\_\_\_\_  
commit to working to become a Kids Friendly Church.

1. We take ownership of and aspire to the Kids Friendly Ideals.
2. We will form a "Dream Team" including the minister, children's ministry and session/parish council representatives to review our current Kids Friendly status.
3. We agree to review our church every two years (or when we have a change of minister) using the Kids Friendly Self-Review resource.
4. We will set and work towards Kids Friendly goals for the next two years and access advice to achieving these from the Kids Friendly coach where necessary.
5. Once we believe we are meeting the Kids Friendly ideals we will submit our review documentation for Kids Friendly assessment.
5. We agree to share our resources and experiences with other Presbyterian/Union churches.
6. We understand that we can brand our church Kids Friendly once our review has been approved by the Kids Friendly Coach.

Minister: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Session Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Ministry: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## THE KIDS FRIENDLY IDEALS

### A KIDS FRIENDLY CHURCH HAS:

- ☺ A heart for children
- ☺ Vision
- ☺ A Kids Friendly Sunday
- ☺ Mission culture
- ☺ Valued children
- ☺ Valued children's ministry leaders
- ☺ A safe and healthy environment
- ☺ Effective administration
- ☺ A commitment to self-review
- ☺ A Kids Friendly minister

