

Preschool Residential Visits

The Specialist Resource Team and the Centre's audiologist provide families in regional settings with the opportunity to attend three to four-day preschool residential visits. The visits offer a programme of individualised assessment and guidance based on the needs of the child and parents. The area of focus can include audiology, spoken language and listening skills, literacy, NZSL, Deaf culture, visual communication and behavioural management.



Assessment Visits (Primary and Secondary)

The Specialist Resource Team and the Centre's audiologist provide families in regional settings with the opportunity to attend a one to three-day assessment visit. The programme will be arranged to take into account any special requests made by parents and/or educators. The programme typically can involve:



Assessment and programme development in the areas of:

- Spoken language and listening skills
- Literacy
- Audiology
- New Zealand Sign Language (NZSL)
- Deaf Culture
- Visual Communication



Placement Visits

In order for a student's application for enrolment at van Asch Deaf Education Centre to be considered by the Centre's Admissions Committee, the student and at least one of his/her parents must visit the Centre prior to enrolment. The placement visit enables the student and his/her family the opportunity to evaluate the Centre's programmes and facilities through visits to classrooms and the residences. A placement visit may take from two to five days.

The visit also enables the student to complete a number of assessments that will support an application for enrolment. These assessments may be in the areas of:

- Spoken language and listening skills
- Audiology
- Literacy
- NZSL
- Deaf Culture
- Visual communication



There is funding available for return travel to attend these courses in Christchurch. Meals and accommodation are provided to families free of charge.

If you would like further information please contact Kerry Wood at van Asch Deaf Education Centre, phone (03) 326 6009 or email: kcockrem15@vanasch.school.nz

