



Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand

KIDS FRIENDLY Application Form

For Presbyterian and Uniting Churches

Date: / /

Please email a copy of the completed application form to:

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_____ Church of the _____ Presbytery

Would like to: Join the Kids Friendly Network Work to become a Kids Friendly Church

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

- **Invite a Kids Friendly coach** to share the Kids Friendly vision with the Session/Parish Council and/or congregation.
- Session/Parish Council and minister **“contract” to work to become a Kids Friendly Church by** signing the Kids Friendly pledge (attached) and sending it with the completed application form and a one-off donation of \$75 to Kids Friendly.
- Session and minister/children’s minister **form a Kids Friendly “Dream Team”** to review their children’s ministry.
- **Schedule meetings** for the “Kids Friendly Dream Team” to review the church’s children’s ministry and set goals to become “Kids Friendly” using the **Kids Friendly Ideals and Self-review** resource.
- Work to achieve your goals (ask for help from your Kids Friendly coaches where needed).
- Share your Kids Friendly journey with your congregation.
- When you are meeting the Kids Friendly ideals submit your review documentation for Kids Friendly assessment.
- Once you are assessed Kids Friendly “brand” your church and all communication “Kids Friendly”.
- Share your resources, stories and experiences.
- Remember Kids Friendly is not a destination, but a journey that requires ongoing review.

Do you identify yourself as? (Please tick box)

Actively Kids Friendly **Wanting to be Kids Friendly**

Name of Minister

Phone

Email

Postal address:		
Name of Children's Ministry Contact(s)	Phone	Email

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**We would like to pay by Internet Banking and have deposited the amount of \$75.00 into the Kids Friendly Bank Account.
Account Number: 02 0500 0086963 17 Reference: KF Network Donation**

We enclose a cheque for \$75 (made out to Kids Friendly: PCANZ) as a one-off donation.

Your donation receipt will be sent separately to you from PCANZ.

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

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THE KIDS FRIENDLY PLEDGE

(for churches wishing to work to become a Kids Friendly church)

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

1. **We aspire to the Kids Friendly Ideals.**
2. **We will form a “Dream Team” including the minister, representatives from: a) the children’s ministry team, b) the session/parish council and c) parents, to review our current Kids Friendly status.**
3. **We agree to review our church every three 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 and access advice to achieving these from the Kids Friendly coach where necessary.**
5. **We will share progress with our congregation and encourage their feedback.**
6. **Once we believe we are meeting the Kids Friendly ideals we will submit our review documentation for Kids Friendly assessment.**
7. **We will promote our church as Kids Friendly using the logo and artwork.**
8. **We will share our resources and experiences with other Presbyterian/Union churches.**
9. **We understand that Kids Friendly is a journey that requires ongoing review and commitment.**

Minister: _____ Signed: _____ Date: _____

Session Clerk: _____ Signed: _____ Date: _____

Children’s Ministry: _____ Signed: _____ Date: _____

THE KIDS FRIENDLY IDEALS

A KIDS FRIENDLY CHURCH HAS:

- ☺ **A heart for children**
- ☺ **A Vision and Mission for ministering with and to children and families**
- ☺ **Kids Friendly Sundays**
- ☺ **Mission culture**
- ☺ **Valued children**
- ☺ **Valued children’s ministry leaders**
- ☺ **A safe and healthy environment**
- ☺ **Partnership with parents**
- ☺ **A commitment to self-review**
- ☺ **A Kids Friendly minister**



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