

Programme 5 – Autism and Education

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Guests

Joanne Dacombe

Joanne Dacombe has spent 21 years working at the Reserve Bank in the area of monetary policy. She was diagnosed with autism later in life and has a son on the Autism Spectrum. Joanne currently serves on the Board of Autism New Zealand as well as the Board of the ASK Trust, an autistic-led organisation for autistic adults.

Cat Noakes-Duncan

Cat is the mother of three beautiful children, two with a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder. Recently Cat founded 'Spectrum Playgroup' a community playgroup for children on the autism spectrum, their siblings and families. Cat is trained in Early Childhood Education and is currently undertaking a Postgraduate Diploma in Specialist Teaching: Autism Spectrum Disorders.

Programme Synopsis

- The difficulties parents have trying navigate the education system with an Autistic child
- Parenting a child on the Autistic Spectrum
- Inclusive Education

Music

“Same Page” Rich Austin, from Memories Forever album

Links

Further information on Joanne Dacombe -

<https://altogetherautism.org.nz/autism-information/6433/6433/>

Autistic Burnout - <https://boren.blog/2017/01/26/autistic-burnout-the-cost-of-coping-and-passing/>

Further information on Spectrum Playgroup -

<https://altogetherautism.org.nz/autism-information/6390/playgroup-provides-care-support/>

<https://www.radionz.co.nz/national/programmes/ninetoon/audio/2018617601/spectrum-playgroup-a-special-place-for-kids-with-autism>

<https://www.richaustinmusic.com/index.html>

www.parent2parent.org.nz

<https://altogetherautism.org.nz/>

