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Variety Motor Mouth Camp

Kelly Moore, Camp Coordinator

The second Variety Motor Mouth Camp was held at Point Walter from the 11th—15th April. Sixteen children who use communication devices attended with their families. Some families travelled great distances to attend camp including Broome and the South West. The children were using many different communication devices including Dynavox V Max/ M3 Max/ Maestro, Toughbook with Speaking Dynamically Pro, Vantage Lite, MiniMo and Proloquo2Go on iPad. We even had some children trialling new communication devices at camp such as the new NovaChat 7. As well as using their ever important low tech communication books like PODD.

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The camp atmosphere really came alive with our “Mad Scientists” theme. Each child wore their science lab coat everyday and participated in a range of science related activities such as Magic Potions, Making Volcanoes and Jelly Swamps and Experimenting with colour. We aim to embed communication opportunities into all activities from breakfast to the camp disco to encourage our campers to use their communication devices throughout every day. Their siblings enjoyed an action packed recreation program with activities that included abseiling and paddling. Parents and carers also came to camp and attended a series of parent workshops to learn how to help their children reach their communication potential! Highlights of camp included the flying fox, Scitech visit, Magic Show and the famous camp concert where every camper joined in on a concert item, using their communication devices.



A very big thank you goes to Variety WA for their generous funding which made the camp possible and our wonderful committee who worked for over six months planning the camp. The hard working committee members were:

Sue Ash, The Centre for Cerebral Palsy, Lauren Woods— providing support all the way from Albany! Delara Kapadia- Disability Services Commission, Amy Litton— ILC, Jodie Hooker— Senses Foundation, Yvette Theodorsen- Carson St School, - Tanith Brian— Therapy Focus, Janelle Cahoon— Melville SHS, Sibling Rec Coordinator, Phil Croot- Variety WA.



Lastly, thank you to all our fantastic volunteer Speech Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, students, teachers and others. We couldn't have done it without you.

Our Service

The ILC Technology service provides information, advice and training on specialised computer access, technologies to support education and augmentative and alternative communication equipment for people of all ages.

Information regarding assistive and educational technologies is available by appointment.

The ILC Hire Service specialises in the short term hire of equipment to provide you with an opportunity to trial before purchase.

Facebook Groups you might like to follow



WA Special Families (WASF) is a Facebook Community for WA families with special needs children. The aim of the group is to connect, share tips, information and ideas and link people together. Membership is open to parents, grandparents and carers, as well as adult siblings of children with special needs. Check out their Facebook page for more information about posting and who can join.

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AGOSCI now has a Facebook page. AGOSCI is a group representing people with complex communication needs (CCN), as well as those who live, know or work with people with CCN. Recent posts shared a news story on ABC about communication, as well as resources from introducing communication aids to children.

Hands Can Talk is an Australian Facebook page, which features Key Word Signs. A great way to keep up with new signs or remember and practice ones you might have forgotten. There is also other discussion about Proloquo2Go and communication in general.



The ILC also has a Facebook page where we update new things happening at ILC! <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Independent-Living-Centre-WA/119935061387229>

Other Facebook Groups from around the world!

Assistive Technology

iTeach Special Education

Augmentative Communication Resources & Help

What's new in ILC Tech?

ILC Tech Website <http://www.ilc.com.au/pages/ilc-technology>

On the website is our updated "Getting Started Useful iDevice Apps" resource which includes information on iPad/iPod apps, accessories, and resources.

The "ILC Resource List" includes our top resources for your technology toolbox!

NOVA Chat 7 <http://liberator.net.au/nova-chat-7.html>

Is now available for demonstration and hire

Papoo <http://www.zyteq.com.au/>

Is now available for demonstration and hire



Clicker 6 <http://www.spectronicsinoz.com>

The new Clicker is now out and available for demonstration



iPad Mounts

The iPad may need to be mounted for different reasons, such as ease of access if someone is unable to hold the iPad, or security to make sure it stays in the one place. Previously there have been very few iPad mounting options commercially available and people have had to be very creative with over bed tables, cushions and mounts designed for motorbikes! There are a number of iPad mounts now available for people with disabilities to allow the iPad to be used in different situations such as at a desk, in bed, in a wheelchair or on a walker.

Inclusive iPad Mounts from Spectronics

This is a range of mounts suitable for the iPad 1 or 2. The range provides for different adjustability and fixing needs. The iPad is able to be removed from the mount if required.

The range includes:

- Table Mount with screw fixing holes
- Holder with Clamp Mount for iPad
- Gooseneck mount
- Holder with Variable Friction Arm Mount for iPad



Ablenet Tabletop Suction Mount from Spectronics

This mount is able to be suctioned to any flat surface and the iPad can be viewed in portrait or landscape mode. This mount is ideally suited to being mounted to a desk or wheelchair tray.

Modhose Mount from Zyteq

The Modhose has two flexible arms with spring clamps at the end which are able to be fixed onto flat surface. This makes the mount highly adjustable to suit vision or positioning needs.



Friction Mount from Zyteq

This mount has a high level of flexibility and is a heavy duty system. The mount has two adjustable arms and can be clamped onto a flat surface.

iPad Adapter plate for REHAdapt mounting systems from Link AT or Spectronics

Compatible with REHAdapt Monty Wheelchair Mounts, Floorstands and Table Mounts. Available in two models for iPad 1 or 2

iPad Adapter plate for DAESSY mounting systems from Communciate AT or NovitaTech

Compatible with Daessy wheelchair mounts, floorstands and desk mounts with the Daessy Quick Release Base. Available in two models for iPad 1 or 2

For more information about iPad mounting systems and assistance to identify which mount may suit your needs, contact the ILC Tech team on 9381 0600 or technology@ilc.com.au

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2012 ILC Tech Country Visits

ILC Tech is now taking expressions of interest for country visits from July onwards. We are funded to provide a limited number of appointments in country areas each year. Appointments will be held with a Speech Pathologist or Occupational Therapist from the Technology Service.

Technology workshops may also be available on request. Workshops do incur a fee.

To arrange a trip to your town, follow these steps:

1. Start discussions between local allied health teams, schools, LAC's and families regarding which individuals may benefit from an appointment to look at communication aids, computer access, other educational technology etc.
2. Contact Jessica in ILC Tech on 93810600 or jessica.rigden@ilc.com.au to book a visit
3. Complete referral form (provided by Jessica) for each client requiring an appointment.
4. Jessica will review the referrals and coordinate appointments with the local referrer

ILC Workshops Semester 1 2012

Proloquo2Go Workshop (2hrs)

20th Feb / 2nd May

Boardmaker Plus & Boardmaker with Speaking Dynamically Pro (3hrs)

11th May

Please call to register—positions filling fast!

Calendar of Events

Event Title	Date/ Place	More Information
AGOSCI National Tour Talking the Talk: Let's Get Interactive, Caroline Musselwhite INTERNATIONAL AAC EXPERT	Registrations now OPEN!!!!!!!!!! 24th August 2012 The Niche Conference Room,	Caroline has 25 years experience working with children with disabilities and complex communication needs. http://www.agosci.org.au/nt2012.htm
Early Childhood Intervention Australia—National Conference	9-11th August 2012 Burswood Entertainment Conference	http://www.eciaconference2012.com.au/