

## About Make-A-Wish New Zealand

Our belief is that a wish is life-changing - this guides us in everything we do at Make-A-Wish New Zealand.

When a wish comes true, it creates hope, strength and joy.

### A wish is vital.

We carefully design each child's wish to build anticipation and resilience to help in the fight for their health.

Global research by Make-A-Wish tells us that wishes aid physical and emotional healing through building strong positive experiences.

The power of a wish inspires the wish child and has a ripple effect for family and community.

Wishes provide laughter, fun and create life-changing memories, but they also continue to inspire confidence and strength long after the wish has been granted.

Wishes help to normalise each child's journey, and vitally improve their quality of life by helping to give them a positive outlook - at a time when they need it the most.

### Piripi 17 years old

*"I wish for a pro-level basketball half-court in my backyard"*



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## Wish Application Form





**Toby-Jack**

9 years old

*"I wish to have a miniature  
Dachshund puppy"*

## Welcome to Make-A-Wish New Zealand

We make the wishes of critically ill children and young people (3-18 years old) come true.

For our younger wish children aged 3 to 5 years old who are unsure of their wish, we provide a wish box full of toys. A child who receives a wish box will also be eligible for their full wish from age 5 to 18 years old. Wish applications must be received by the wish child's 18th birthday.

Make-A-Wish New Zealand has amazing volunteers who work with you and your child to develop and tailor a wish that is about their hopes and dreams.

Once your completed application is approved, we'll take your child on a unique wish journey towards making their cherished wish come true. Helping your child dream and plan for their wish helps build resilience and brings hope for their future.

We will walk alongside you as we work to create life-changing memories.

## The Power of the Wish Journey



# Wishes do come true...

**Frankie** 3 years old

*"I wish for a doll's house"*



**Hawaiki-Nui** 8 years old

*"I wish to go to Queenstown"*



**Joel** 16 years old

*"I wish to get up close and personal with some animals"*

**Sarah** 16 years old

*"I wish I wish to have a Tā moko traditional tattoo"*





## How to apply for a Wish

There are several steps to ensure that the child receives their cherished wish.

### 1. Complete the Wish Application form

This form must be completed and signed by a parent or legal guardian of the child and returned to Make-A-Wish New Zealand.

### 2. Medical Eligibility

Make-A-Wish New Zealand contacts the child's medical specialist and asks to receive in writing whether the child is medically eligible to receive a wish. Wish recipients must hold New Zealand residency.

### 3. The Wish

Once the medical specialist has confirmed that the child is eligible, Make-A-Wish New Zealand assigns two wish volunteers. They arrange to meet the child, along with the legal guardians, to help determine what their cherished wish will be. Some children know exactly what they want, others take some time and it can take more than one visit before the wish is decided.

### 4. Granting the Wish

Once the wish has been confirmed, the Make-A-Wish New Zealand team sets out to create a unique experience for the child. The timing of the wish delivery can vary, depending on what it is and the health of the child. Every effort is made to include the immediate family in the child's wish.

**Sydney**

6 years old

"I wish to perform on stage"



## Frequently Asked Questions

### • How can I refer a child for a wish?

Make-A-Wish New Zealand accepts referrals from the child's parent/ guardian, a medical professional, or even the child themselves. If you would like to refer a child but are not their legal guardian or doctor, we encourage you to contact the child's family and have them complete the referral process themselves.

### • How long does it take to grant a wish?

Because every wish is unique, there's no set time frame. The length of time it takes to fulfill a wish varies on the nature and scope of the wish.

### • Who is included in the wish?

We work with each family to ensure that important family members are involved in the child's wish.

### • Does a family have to meet financial criteria to be eligible to receive a wish?

Not at all. Make-A-Wish New Zealand does not discriminate based on a family's financial situation.

### • Does the family have to pay anything for the wish?

Make-A-Wish New Zealand cover all costs to deliver the wish as agreed with the family of the wish child.

### • Where does the money for granting wishes come from?

Make-A-Wish New Zealand is a charity and receives no government funding and relies on funds donated by generous individuals, businesses, trusts, community fundraising and events.



For further information or to read wish stories, go to:  
[www.makeawish.org.nz](http://www.makeawish.org.nz)

## Consent

By signing the wish request form, you authorise Make-A-Wish New Zealand to collect, maintain, use and disclose the personal information in the manner set out in the Privacy Statement.

This section must be signed in order for the wish request to be processed.

### I agree to the following:

- I/we acknowledge that no promises or assurances whatsoever have been made to me/us by any representative of Make-A-Wish New Zealand regarding this wish application.
- All wish requests are subject to approval by Make-A-Wish New Zealand and they may produce a copy of this application to the medical specialist as evidence of that authority.
- All wish information required regarding the health of the child in this application may be released by the medical specialist to Make-A-Wish New Zealand.
- I will not enter into any discussions or negotiations with third parties or suppliers in relation to the fulfilment of my child's wish, unless I have written permission from Make-A-Wish New Zealand.
- I have read and understood the Privacy Statement below and I consent to the collection, issue and disclosure of personal information in line with the Privacy Statement.
- Where I have provided information about another individual, I declare that the individual has been made aware of that fact and of the contents of the Privacy Statement.

## Looking after your Privacy

Your right to privacy is important to us. This statement explains your privacy rights and our obligation and rights in relation to collection and use of your personal information.

\* Please refer to our privacy policy on the Make-A-Wish New Zealand website, [www.makeawish.org.nz/privacy-policy](http://www.makeawish.org.nz/privacy-policy)

### Please Sign

☐ Mother ☐ Father ☐ Legal Guardian (please tick)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sign \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

★ Child’s Details

First name

Middle nameSurname

Known as

DOBAgeGender

Residential address

Suburb

CityPost Code

NHI No

★ Cultural Considerations

Knowing as much as we can about your family helps us to deliver the best possible wish experience for your child. To ensure that Make-A-Wish New Zealand is aware of any cultural sensitivities, please indicate the cultural group your child identifies with.

☐ NZ European☐ Māori☐ Samoan☐ Chinese☐ Indian

☐ Other (Please state)

Is English the first language ☐ Y/N

If no, please specify your child’s first language

Are you a NZ Resident? ☐ Y/N

★ Additional Criteria

To ensure that as many kiwi children as possible receive a wish, kindly select this checkbox to confirm that the applicant has not already received a wish from any other wish granting organisation. The applicant agrees to inform Make-A-Wish New Zealand and acknowledge that they may no longer be eligible for a wish from Make-A-Wish New Zealand if they receive one in the future. ☐ Y

★ Wish Request

Your child does not need to know their wish at this stage, however if they have an idea, please briefly describe below:

★ How Did You Hear About Make-A-Wish New Zealand?

☐ Medical Consultant / Doctor / Nurse☐ Friend or Family Member

☐ Social Worker / Case Worker☐ Website☐ Social Media

☐ Other Wish Family☐ Other (please state)

★ Legal Guardian Details (please complete all fields)

Child resides with (please tick)

☐ Mother + Father☐ Mother☐ Father☐ Shared custody☐ Legal Guardian

Guardian 1

Relationship to child

First name

Surname

Address (if different from child)

SuburbCityPost Code

Home NoWork No

Mobile No

Email

Guardian 2

Relationship to child

First name

Surname

Address (if different from child)

SuburbCityPost Code

Home NoWork No

Mobile No

Email

★ Sibling Details

Full name	Gender	DOB	Resides with child (Y/N)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	/ /	<input type="radio"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	/ /	<input type="radio"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	/ /	<input type="radio"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	/ /	<input type="radio"/>

★ Details of Other People in the Household

Full name	Relationship to the child	Gender	Age
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If there are additional people, please provide details on a separate piece of paper.

★ Medical Information

Child’s illness and current health status

☐ Can your child communicate verbally (Y/N)

☐ Is the wish medically urgent (Y/N)

☐ Is your child mobile (Y/N)

★ Medical Specialist

First name

Surname

Hospital and Department where specialist treats your child.

Hospital

Department

City

Phone No (and extension if applicable)

Email

Make-A-Wish New Zealand will contact this medical specialist to determine your child’s eligibility.

★ ☐ Social Worker ☐ Case Worker ☐ Nurse Specialist

First name

Surname

Organisation / Hospital

City

Phone No (and extension if applicable)

Email

★ Return This Form To Make-Wish-New Zealand

Please complete both sides of this form and return to us via

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