



JULY 5TH - AUGUST 25TH, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Summer Camp Programme** - Tomorrow's Voices hosted our Summer Camp program for the ninth consecutive year. The Summer Camp program served 19 children with various abilities ranging from Autism to Developmental Disabilities. Students aged 2 to 27 years participated in weekly outings, water play, cooking, language games, outdoor sports and many other activities that challenged them to have a happy and healthy summer.

AUGUST 27TH, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Win AI Global Excellence Award** – Tomorrow's Voices was recognized for its services to the Autism community by being awarded the 2017 AI Global Excellence Award for Best Autism Treatment & Prevention Centre. Tomorrow's Voices was featured in an issue of AI Magazine with a feature spread on the work Tomorrow's Voices is doing in the community, which will reach the magazine's 108,500 subscribers across the world.

AUGUST 30TH & 31ST, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Staff Have In-house Professional Development** – Staff took part in Dance/Movement Therapy which looks at movement to gather information about intention, attention, and decision making as well as completed a full day First Aid and CPR course. Staff enjoyed both trainings.

SEPTEMBER 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Staff Become BCBA's** – 3 of Tomorrow's Voices staff sat and passed their board certification to become Board Certified Behaviour Analyst. Tomorrow's Voices was very proud of the 3 staff for this great accomplishment as it took numerous hours of study and commitment to gain the credentials to sit and pass this international exam.

SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Training Institute Workshop, "Lets Put That On Paper: Data Collection Methods"** - Attendees of this workshop about choosing from a variety of data collection methods based on the type of behaviour you are observing and the kind of behaviour change you are expecting, and how to use this data for effective teaching and learning. The workshop had 19 attendees which included parents, teachers and health professionals.

SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2017 – **Bermuda Health Council Open Forum** - Tomorrow's Voices staff, parents and board members attended this important forum to find out information on the Health Council's future directions as well as to provide input to the council on the importance of ABA coverage. The Forum was well attended by many community stakeholders.

OCTOBER 22ND, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices 10th Anniversary** – We hit another milestone and celebrated 10 years of providing services to Bermuda's children, parents, educators, allied health professionals and the community. With over 61,900 hours of therapy provided to children in the community, Tomorrow's Voices continues to support those children, families and friends struggling with Autism Spectrum Disorders and Developmental Disabilities.

OCTOBER 26TH, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Host Booth at the "Learn Differently" Conference** – Tomorrow's Voices was invited to host an information booth at the Learn Differently Conference held at the Hamilton Princess.



NOVEMBER 4TH, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Co-Founder Selected As "2017 Woman of the Year" by www.Todayinbermuda.com** - Co-founder, Thea Furbert was selected out of a group of three phenomenal women in the community to be the TIB 2017 Woman of The Year. She was nominated for her unwavering commitment to those touched by autism in the community. Thea was shocked and honoured for being selected for this achievement and in her acceptance speech spoke about her joy of supporting her son who is on the autism spectrum and also her passion in helping to provide services to children in Bermuda.

NOVEMBER 15TH, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Training Institute Workshop, "Let's Talk About It: A Workshop on Communication"** - Attendees at this workshop learned how we at Tomorrow's Voices teach language and communication via the Verbal Behaviour method, which highlights the importance of the function of language. The workshop was attended by 26 participants which included parents, teachers and health professionals.

NOVEMBER 24TH, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Host the "Lighting of the Tree Ceremony"** - In conjunction with the City of Hamilton, Tomorrow's Voices hosted the Annual "Lighting of the Tree" Ceremony. The event was attended by hundreds of spectators as they waited for Santa to appear. The event gave the Centre an opportunity to provide autism awareness to attendees and also sell goods in order to fundraise.

DECEMBER 15TH, 2017 – **Tomorrow's Voices Host Christmas Party for Clients, Parents and Volunteers** – Clients, parents and volunteers were treated to a special day of giving to celebrate the holiday season and the achievements of our clients. The event was well attended and each client was presented with a special gift for the holiday.



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JAN 14&28; FEB 11&25; MAR 11&25; APRIL 8&22; MAY 13&27; JUNE 10&24; SEPT 9&23; OCT 14&28, NOV 25; DEC 9, 2017 – Saturday Social Skills - We have held 18 Social Skills groups since the start of the year on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. The Social Skills group which runs from 9am to 1pm on Saturdays has hosted a number of children with autism and developmental disabilities as well as students without disabilities. The Social Skills group provides those with developmental disabilities the opportunity to work on social skills, functional skills and language skills while participating in outings within the community. This group also gives parents of the clients respite time to facilitate things they may have to do, while knowing that their children are being supervised by skilled staff and volunteers.

JANUARY 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Host Nursing Students from Bermuda College – For a two month period nursing students from the Bermuda College came in to shadow our staff as a part of their placement program. This partnership with the Bermuda College allowed nursing students to come into the Centre to observed therapy and learn the techniques used to work with clients on the autism spectrum.

JANUARY 17TH, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Provide Training at Somerset Primary PTA Meeting – Tomorrow’s Voices Senior Therapists provided parents and teachers at Somerset Primary School with an hour and a half training which covered topics on the services available at the Centre and how we work with clients with problem behaviors.

FEBRUARY 23RD, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Hosts its First Training Institute workshop of 2017 entitled **“More Than Just The Two of Us: ABA in Group Settings”**. This workshop presented by our Senior Therapists provided attendees useful application of ABA in a variety of settings. This workshop hosted parents, teachers and allied health professionals.

MARCH 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Voted “Best Autism Treatment & Prevention Centre - Caribbean” – Tomorrow’s Voices won a Global Health and Pharma 2017 Social Care Award for Best Autism Treatment & Prevention Centre - Caribbean. We were featured in the GHP 2017 Social Care Awards Magazine which was circulated worldwide to 260,000 subscribers. The team was very proud for winning this award and being honoured by the international arena.

APRIL 1ST, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices “Todayinbermuda.com” Special Feature. Today In Bermuda Online Special Feature featured articles on Tomorrow’s Voices staff, Autism in the Community, A Parents Perspective and clients as well as highlighted some of our community partners and accomplishments in the field of autism and developmental disabilities. The month long feature highlighted how Tomorrow’s Voices’ services are making a much needed difference in the Bermuda community.



APRIL 1ST, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices “Light It Up Blue” For Autism. During the month of April Tomorrow’s Voices participated in the “Light It Up Blue” International Autism Awareness promotion by hanging blue lights on the Centre windows and the Tree in the front yard. Community members that passed the Centre in the evening were able to see the Blue lights shining as we joined the rest of the world in celebrating autism awareness.

APRIL 1ST TO 30TH, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Autism Awareness Month Activities – Tomorrow’s Voices hosted 6 events during Autism Awareness Month to highlight our services and to fundraise for our Centre. Events included “TV Open House” on April 7th, “Behind The Scenes: A Parents’ Perspective - International Speaker Training Workshops” on April 17th, “Autism Tags It” on April 21st, “Saturday Social Skills Gives Back to the Community” on April 22nd, “Autism Rocks Socks” on April 28th, and “Autism Awareness Month Ends on East Broadway” on May 1st.

APRIL 1ST, 3RD, 7TH & 13TH, 2017 – Radio Interviews To Promote Autism Awareness Month - Cofounder and Board Chair, Thea Furbert and senior staff was interviewed by radio host at HOTT 1075, The Ladies Room, VIBE103 and POWER 95. Radio listeners were able to find out about the services of Tomorrow’s Voices, facts about Autism, as well as all of the wonderful events Tomorrow’s Voices was hosting during the month of April to celebrate Autism Awareness Month.

APRIL 7TH, 2017 – “Open House” at Tomorrow’s Voices Autism Centre - Tomorrow’s Voices opened its doors and invited donors, parents and the public to come and visit the Centre and to see exactly how we provide our services. The day saw over 30 attendees visit the Centre, this included donors from the The Simons Foundation Int. Ltd, HanoverRee, The Clarien Foundation, the Minister of Health, the Minister of Education and other community members. All those that attended were very impressed with the quality of services provided to our clients.



APRIL 19TH, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Meets with Insurance Companies - Tomorrow’s Voices team along with Lorri & Dan Unumb of Autism Speaks met with local insurance companies to open the dialogue on the coverage of ABA services in Bermuda. The meeting was attended by representative from GEHI, the Bermuda Health Council and the Ministry of Health. The meeting was beneficial in getting the dialogue started on the coverage of ABA services in Bermuda and successful in providing stakeholder a better understanding of why this coverage is important and essential for parents supporting children on the autism spectrum.

APRIL 19TH, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Special Autism Awareness Panel Discussion - Tomorrow’s Voices hosted international speaker Lorri Unumb of Autism Speaks and 3 local parent speakers. The workshops entitled **“Behind The Scenes - A Parents Perspective”** hosted 54 attendees which included parents, teachers, para-educators and health professionals. The Panel Discussion focused on local and International speakers talking about raising a child with autism and how it has affected their lives. The workshops was very powerful in providing attendees with real life stories of what parents go through while raising children on the spectrum. The event was held at the Bermuda College and in addition to the panel discussion, we had different organizations host booths before and during intermission including (TV), Function Junction, The Learning World, Child Development Program, Child and Adolescent Services, and Bermuda Autism Support and Education. We received feedback that it was fantastic to have representatives from a variety of allied fields all together in one place with a great sense of partnership among everyone.



APRIL 21ST, 2017 – “Autism Tags It” Tomorrow’s Voices Tag Day - Tomorrow’s Voices hosted our 4th Annual Tag Day with volunteers stationed throughout the City of Hamilton distributing Autism Ribbons and Tags for small donations to the Charity. The day saw hundreds of people in the community donating to this worthy cause.

APRIL 22ND, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Saturday Social Skills Group Gives Back During Autism Awareness Month - Tomorrow’s Voices facilitated this special Social Skills Group by giving back to the community. Staff, clients and volunteers partnered with KBB and did a clean up of Mangrove Bay beach to show their appreciation to the community.



APRIL 28TH, 2017 – “Autism Rocks Socks” Charity Fundraiser - Tomorrow’s Voices hosted our Annual Autism Rocks Socks fundraiser. Participants were encouraged to have fun while showing support for our Charity. Companies and Schools were invited to participate in our unique fundraiser by wearing crazy, fun socks on this day and donating \$5 to Tomorrow’s Voices. 30 companies and schools participated to raise funds for our Centre.

APRIL 30TH, 2017 – Mt. Zion Church Celebrates Autism Awareness Month - Mt. Zion Church celebrated Autism Awareness Month by holding a “Go Blue For Autism Service”. Tomorrow’s Voices was invited to this very special service and was presented a with donation from the church to go towards services at the Centre.

MAY 1ST 2017 – Autism Awareness Month Ends On East Broadway - The month ended with staff, parents and Board members on East Broadway displaying Autism Signs and Puzzle Pieces to remind the community that it may be the end of Autism Awareness Month but it’s not the end of Autism.

MAY 4TH, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Attends Collaborative Meeting with the ASD Task Force. Tomorrow’s Voices Senior Therapists along with other professionals in the Autism community met to discuss updates on services provided to children on the spectrum in Bermuda.

MAY 18TH, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Staff Have In-House Professional Development – Child Development Program provided the team at TV with an overview of the ADOS-2 assessment tool used to diagnose individuals as being on the spectrum. The morning presentation was very informative and provided the TV staff a better idea of how CDP assess children.

MAY 26-30, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Staff Present Bermuda Research Papers at ABAI Conference in Denver – Two of our VB Therapists, Frances Parkes and Naomi Taylor, traveled to Denver to present their Posters on Bermuda subject matter at the 2017 Applied Behavior Analysis International Conference. The staff presented their posters featuring research compiled from clients at Tomorrow’s Voices which was a first for the Centre. The staff also got to attend the Conference sessions and gain valuable information and tools to share with and implement at the Centre.

JUNE 15TH, 2017 – Tomorrow’s Voices Training Institute workshop. This workshop entitled **“What’s on the Menu?: Managing Picky Eaters”** provided attendees with training information on the autism-picky eating connection, and some factors that are involved in the cause and maintenance of this pattern of eating, as well as behavioural strategies to help address eating issues. This workshop was presented by our Senior Therapists and guest speaker Dietician, Arlene MacGuinness.