



## BUSY BUMBLES NEWSLETTER – ROLLESTON TERM 1 2016

### WELCOME

Welcome back to term one! What a very eventful term it has been so far.

We were very excited to open two new venues this term. Our West Rolleston venue looks amazing; we have been so fortunate to have access to such a wonderful space at West Rolleston School and to be able to work alongside the lovely staff they have there! Children have settled into a great routine and have already adjusted well to their new location.

We were also very excited to be able to offer our assistance to another local school this Term at Burnham - due to SKIDS closing down there. We are very proud to say that Burnham Busy Bumbles is our ninth venue, and what a great wee venue it is! Our roll there is growing quickly and it's been extremely rewarding to offer our services to a community who need them.

It's been a busy term for me and I have loved visiting the children and staff at our venues. On my visits, I have been reminded of the reason that Rebecca started the company. Her vision was to offer a top quality care programme for children, somewhere parents would feel totally comfortable leaving their child whilst they were at work....eliminating the mummy guilt we all sometimes experience! The fact that we have many children who attend our programme purely for the fun of it, even though they have a parent at home, proves that we are achieving her vision. At Busy Bumbles we look for staff who embrace this vision. I believe that's what makes us different and that's why we have such an incredible team who are so committed to our company.

I can't wait to see what the rest of the term has in store and look forward to seeing all the wonderful activities Lynette has planned for the next holiday programme.

Have a wonderful Easter!

Helen Beddard

Oscar Manager



### SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

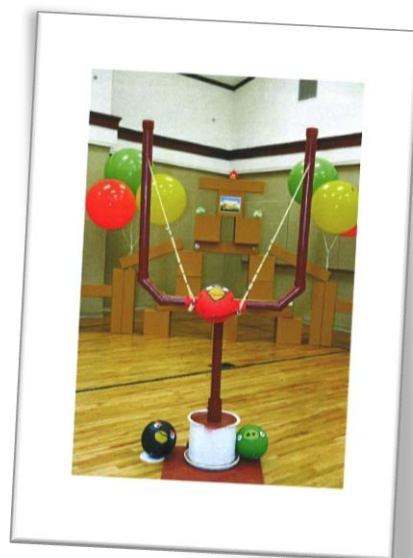
Time is ticking along and the April School Holidays are approaching fast.

We have so many fun and exciting days planned for the holidays including a visit from Science Alive, who will be presenting their Programme **'A Bugs Life'**. During their visit you will be assisting the Queen Bee to win the pollen as well as sending your Beebot Robot along the flower route. On our day of **'Magic'** we will be having a visit from Josh Grimaldi who is back from touring Europe and the UK. I wonder what he will have up his sleeve!

Then there's **'Back to the Future'** where we will create our Busy Bumbles Time Capsule that will be placed in storage and not reopened until April 2026! **'Ghost Busters'** will be a day filled with slimy fun and proton packs, and you won't want to miss **'Angry Birds'** where we will be making catapults and attacking the pigs – awesome! Add to this **'Weird and Wacky'**, **'Wheels, Wings and Moving Things'**, **'Bubble Bonanza'**, and **'Ice Cream Parlour'** where we will make Ice Cream from scratch!

So many fun days with exciting activities to keep even the most computer reliant child occupied and busy.

Please note that Monday 25th April is ANZAC Day and we will be closed.



## WHATS BEEN HAPPENING

We have been very 'Busy Bumbles' this term, with homework club starting up again and activities or crafts running for the children daily. it's been all go at Rolleston recently!

A big welcome to our new families! To those who have been with us before, welcome back to Rolleston Busy Bumbles for 2016 – it's great to have you all back ☺

Term one is a busy one and we are over half way through it already. How quickly the time has gone by! During the recent hot weather the children have loved all of the water activities provided. Water balloons and the new slip and slide have proved to be very popular. What fun we have all had!!

The children are enjoying the new dress ups we have been collecting and we have even had some of our older children putting on performances for us. What creative children we have at Rolleston!

We have lots of budding artists at our centre and to make sure we let their creativity shine we now have an ART ATTACK wall, please feel free to come take a look and see for yourself how talented your children are. The art work is absolutely amazing and we want to reward this, so every Friday morning we have someone choose a piece of art as our winner for the week. They then get to choose from the treasure chest, which everyone thinks is pretty COOL!

We have our own personal hair dresser at the venue for the girls most mornings. Suzie has had a line of girls wishing for very nice plaits or pony tails. They sure look stunning when Suzie is finished. Thanks Suzie, the children look amazing. Nothing like having your own personal hair dresser in the mornings!!

We also have a gold star reward system that the children think is great. When we spot some really amazing behaviour, the children have their name put on a gold star and they get entered into our star box! This is then drawn every Friday morning and the winner gets to choose something out of the treasure chest for a prize.

With so much going on and so much coming up I am sure your children will have exciting experiences to show tell you.

## WELCOME TO NEW FAMILIES

Dominick Fanta  
Israel Fanta  
Baxter Kennedy  
Eli Wilson  
Samiah Johnston  
Leon Stone

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish a very "Happy Birthday" to all children who have had, or are due to have their Birthday this term. We hope you had/have a very special day and a fantastic year to follow.



## THANK YOU

A huge thank you to the team at Franks Brothers Gym Selwyn for donating these awesome t-shirts to Busy Bumbles. Congratulations to the children who were randomly selected to receive one.

[www.franksbrothers.co.nz](http://www.franksbrothers.co.nz)



## WHATS COMING UP

With only five weeks of term left we are looking forward to some exciting weeks ahead. In week seven we are running a zoo week and week ten is star wars week. We are all looking forward to heaps of fun, with lots of crafts and different games planned. If your child has something they would like to bring along to show, or that involves the theme of the week they are more than welcome.

Remember that schools are closed on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March but Busy Bumbles Rolleston, Templeton & Lincoln will be open 7.30am-6pm with the exception of Rolleston which is 7.00am – 6.00pm. The 29th will be run as a holiday programme day.

## HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Though it seems like a distant memory now, the Christmas/Summer school holidays were, as always, a hive of activity! Before Christmas the children got into the Christmas spirit with lots of festive activities, games, crafts and a visit from Santa's elf! The weeks following Christmas the children enjoyed scrumptious sweets day, learning lots of cool and interesting facts on human body day, making our own rain and clouds on wild weather day and had lots of fun with water play on the hot and sunny days. The children also enjoyed a variety of different trips during the holidays including Mini golf, Laser tag and Clip and Climb. We also had a visit from The House of Bricks where the children had the opportunity to use their imagination and build lots of different models with Lego!

Planning is already underway for the next school holidays and we have many exciting and magical days planned that will keep the children entertained all day long!



*Have fun, learn something new*

~Classes for 8-17yrs and adults.

~Sewing machines provided

~Small classes

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## VENUE NEWS

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Rochelle Anderson and I have taken over the position of Supervisor here at the Rolleston venue. A little about myself; I have come to you from a teachers aid position and also have a healthcare background, which I absolutely loved. I was looking for something I knew would keep me on my toes, nothing like 40+ children to do that! I have a 7 year old son who is very much into his BMX competitions and rides most weekends. We travel a lot, so I am away most weekends and it has been a real family sport for me. I volunteered as the coaching coordinator for 3 years and my husband also races. I am enjoying getting to know your lovely children and it's nice to be able to meet you all over time as well. If you have any queries, then please don't hesitate to come and have a chat. ☺

Hi, I am Ellen Petterson, I am from Canada but moved to NZ in 1986. I am married to Jim (A Kiwi) and have two sons Calvin 24 and Hamish 21. We moved to Christchurch in 2012 from Hamilton and then Rolleston in 2014. I have a healthcare background and have worked with St Andrews College Pipe Band since 2012. I look forward to getting to know the Busy Bumbles families and I am excited for the upcoming School Holidays. Welcome to the team Ellen we all look forward to working with you!

Congratulations to Sarah one of Rolleston's much loved staff who got married on 27<sup>th</sup> Feb, we wish you all the best and can't wait to have you back. The children made a finger print tree on canvas for Sarah and her husband the day she left, I am sure it will be hanging in her house somewhere for all to see.

With lots to come and lots to do I am sure the next few weeks will fly by!!!!



## FRIENDLY REMINDER ☺

We always take a missing child seriously. Please inform the supervisor directly if your child is going to be **absent**.

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## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

If you see a rabbit laying  
little brown eggs,  
Don't eat them,  
It's not chocolate!

Happy Easter  
Every Bunny!

