# **BB'S BUZZ**

Newsletter Term 3, 2023

Welcome to our first ever newsletter! We thought this would be a great way to share with our BB Family all the amazing things we get up to at each venue.

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Each Term there will be a different focus/theme. This Term we thought it would be great to introduce the team at each venue and a little bit about their venue and what is happening for them. Each venue has written their own blurb for the newsletter.

We hope all of our staff (over 100 of them now!) and all our families (thousands of them!) enjoy reading about what is buzzing at BB's.

Rebecca Macey





## **Templeton BB's**

Hi! We are Amber (Right) and Dixie (left), (although everyone gets us mixed up lol), and we asked our amazing Templeton children how to best describe us for you guys, here is what we got: "Nice", "Silly", "Fun", "Awesome", "Crack up" and "Pretty cool". We currently share the school's auditorium with the school library which is why the room looks so chaotic (organised mess promise) and we genuinely have the best time. We have a variety of personalities at the venue. A large proportion of them keep everyone entertained with their wit, comedic personalities and unreal one liners. We are really lucky in the fact that most of our children have been with the venue for a long time, some going on 4 years. It is really awesome to be able to work so closely with children and make a difference to their day. We love our Templeton venue!

# **Burnham BB's**

Hi there, we are an amazing 'A, B and T' team of 3, Anca, Bridget and Trinity at Burnham School. We have a fantastic relationship and work with great kids. Although we are a small school venue, we do BIG things with our lovely little people. We have a unique group of kids who all play together without worrying about age and gender. They love doing amazing LEGO constructions, are very talented boys and girls who also enjoy their games, music, and daily crafts, proudly taking anything that they make, home.





## Lemonwood Grove BB's

Hello everyone! We are the dream team here at Lemonwood Grove School. Talitha (Supervisor) on the left and I've been working at BB's for 6 years and absolutely love the friendships I've made. Thea (Assistant Supervisor) on the right has also worked for BB's for approximately 5-6 years and enjoys spending time with the children and getting to know their personalities. We are both originally from South Africa and really enjoy working together and it definitely helps having the same sarcastic humour. We appreciate the strong and supportive relationship we have as we really need it with 60-65 children most afternoons. At LWG we have fun in the sun and while we run with our friends, inside we hide from the rain and have fun playing games. We are currently sharing our space with 2 classrooms, and it makes our whanau bond a lot stronger with the school.

#### Te Matauru BB's

Hi, we're Caity and Louise and we're team Te Matauru based out in Rangiora! We have loads of fun at our venue, we have a lot of little munchkins and a handful of older ones. Our favourite activities include group games, crafts, anything you can eat, and anything messy! We're very lucky to be able to welcome kiddies from Fernside and St Joseph's schools using the famous Busy Bumbles vans! We love connecting with each other and being an ever-growing Busy Bumbles Whanau!





## Hapori

Kia ora koutou!! Mel and Ash here from the Hapori venue based at Mornington School, Dunedin Ōtepoti, photographed lapping up the minimal sunshine we've been getting down here. We have had an amazing time settling into the new venue and meeting all the new tamariki and whānau that have been coming to us. It's definitely been a busy bumble couple of weeks, we have had a ball. Our venue hosts three schools and a highlight and focus for us has been building connections between tamariki from the different kura. We've loved watching new friendships bloom!

## West Melton

Kia Ora, there are three of us who work here at the West Melton Venue. Olivia is now the Supervisor with Sonya and Brenda as Assistant Supervisors. Sonya works the mornings, Monday and Friday afternoon and Brenda works Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons with Olivia teaming up to work with them every afternoon. Our cosy Busy Bumbles Venue is tucked in behind the swimming pool at the school. We look forward to the children arriving everyday! They are always keen to try the craft or activities we run every afternoon. We have an amazing bunch of kids who bring lots of laughs and fun to our Venue.





#### Leeston

Hi there. This is being written by 2 of our senior students..... "We like BB's because we do lots of fun activities and we have a lot of fun. We also get to hang out with our friends and with Shona and Kathryn. We like Friday's as it is movie day and popcorn! Now let's talk about Shona and Kathryn. They both are our teachers. Shona is normally the one to set up the activities. Kathryn likes to have fun and both of them make us laugh....unless Shona burns the popcorn! They are both very kind and caring. When we come to BB's we know that we are protected and safe as we are all Shona's children."

#### Te Rohutu Whio

Kia Ora! We are Amber & Esther from Te Rōhutu Whio! We absolutely adore our kids, who come from many different cultures, so they teach us as much as they learn from us. We have a wide range of ages, who bring their own unique personalities to the table each day. It makes for interesting mornings and afternoons, but we wouldn't have it any other way! kei te tino hikaka matou mo te toenga o tenei tau (We are so excited for the rest of this year)! Ka kite anō,





## Clearview

We asked our kids to think of some words that best described their experiences at BB's:

- C creative, caring, calm, colouring in
- L Lego, Library, loud, learning & listening
- E- energy, enthusiasm, EATING
- A attitude, active, awesome
- R respectful, relaxing, running (but NOT inside)
- V values, vibes, va va voom
- I imagination , incredible, interesting
- E educational, enjoyment and more eating!
- W welcoming, wise, weird and Wow

# Rolleston

<u>Jayden</u>: "Chrissy and Mrs B are very nice people. They always try their best to make BB's a fun, clean, happy and safe place to be. They always treat us with kindness and respect."

<u>Daniel</u>: "If it is raining (not very often) you aren't allowed outside but they have a big stash of toys! If it isn't raining (much more likely) you can play outside on a big court with basketball hoops. They also have some pretty cool outside equipment! Chrissy is amazing and Mrs B is the same."





# West Rolleston

Here at West Rolleston you will find a great team...Thanielle (Supervisor) and Sam (Assistant Supervisor) The children say we are.... "fun, sweet, good noodles makers, playful, trustworthy, kind, cool and playful" We are an energetic bunch who have just moved into our new space sharing with our fellow Te Ara Whanui whanau. Our children love being here as it is smack bam in the middle of the big playground, netball court, gym and soccer field!! We have been told by our children that they love our new space because it is bright and colourful, has lots of crafts and most of all because our team jump in and join the fun! They especially love our new break out space, being able to boogie it down and bring out their best dance moves. Here at West Rolleston we have so much fun that even some of our parents cant help themselves but join in on it all.

# Prebbleton

Hello everyone, we are Anika, Vilisi and Katie and we are your Prebbleton team! Katie is our longest standing Prebbleton staff member, with Ankia and Vilisi just joining the team. We are super excited for what lies ahead for us as a team, and we are looking forward to carrying on with the incredible work that has been done before us. We are stoked to be a part of the BBs community & the Prebbleton community and pumped for the future!

