BBs Buzz

Term 2, 2026

Kia ora, BBs family!

What a fantastic Term 2 it has been here at Busy Bumbles! We have loved seeing our tamariki thriving in our programmes and hearing such positive feedback from families about the changes introduced this year.

As a heart-led business, nothing means more to us than supporting busy families in ways that truly make a difference. It has been wonderful seeing families thrilled with our reduced pricing and knowing we are helping ease the load during busy times.

At Busy Bumbles, we believe care should feel flexible, supportive, and like a home away from home. Whether it's providing affordable care or helping make family routines a little smoother, we are so grateful to be part of your village.

Thank you to our amazing families and schools for your ongoing support throughout Term 2. We are incredibly proud of the caring community we continue to build together and can't wait to see what the rest of 2026 brings!

Ngā mihi nui,
Rebecca Macey
Busy Bumbles Managing Director and Owner

Te Kura o Tiori, Burnham School
Christchurch

Hello from Burnham Busy Bumbles!
Term 2 is coming to an end, and we have continued to enjoy our time at Burnham BBs.

This term we have welcomed three lovely little new entrant children and they have happily settled into our BBs family.
During term time we have continued our fun activities with new crafts and games. We have also started offering our 'Homework Club' four afternoons per week. Bridget supervises this and helps the little children to get their homework done, giving parents a bit of respite after picking up the kids and before other evening chores. Believe me, we have lots of grateful, happy parents!!!

Every day at 3.00pm, we enjoy the nice snacks offered by BBs, while talking about the way our day went and what we are going to do next.

Since the start of the term, we have offered a few gratitude cards and a birthday card with some small gifts on behalf of us all, to our school Principal, Office Manager and Caretaker.
School holidays are fast approaching and hopefully we'll see many of our kids joining the fun holiday programme offered by Busy Bumbles.

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Te Kura o Mārama, Clearview Primary Christchurch

We've had an exciting term at Clearview Busy Bumbles!

Our themed weeks have been filled with creativity, laughter and lots of fun activities. A highlight was attending the Junior Disco, where the children loved dancing, singing, and spending time with their friends. It was wonderful to see so many happy smiles.

We also have some special news to share... Our Assistant Supervisor, Leila, will be taking leave for a few weeks, to proudly represent Tonga in netball at the Commonwealth Games. While we'll miss having her at Busy Bumbles, we're incredibly proud of this amazing achievement and know she'll inspire our tamariki by following her dreams.

We wish all our families a warm, safe and enjoyable winter break and we hope to see some of you at our fantastic holiday programme, which is just around the corner! We're looking forward to another fun-filled break away from the usual school routine, with exciting activities, crafts, games and adventures for everyone to enjoy.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

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OSCAR Subsidies

Remember, Busy Bumbles is an OSCAR-approved provider, meaning eligible families can apply for an OSCAR subsidy to help with the cost of care. Contact us to learn more!

Fairfield School Dunedin

Kia ora everyone!

We are definitely noticing the temperature getting colder and the limited sunlight hours, but that hasn't stopped us from getting out and having fun whenever the weather allows! The winter chill is no match for the energy at Fairfield BBs!

The children have been thoroughly enjoying our new afternoon routine, which now includes a healthy snack shared together, it's become a wonderful time for everyone to reset and refuel. This term has been absolutely packed with cool weekly themes, featuring fun themed arts, crafts, and games that have sparked so much creativity. Of course, a major highlight continues to be Greg's creative morning games, which always get the day started on a high note!

We celebrated pink T-shirt Day in May when the staff and the children enjoyed wearing their pink T-shirt to take a stance against bullying.

We would like to take a moment to say a huge thank you to David, our wonderful caretaker. His ongoing help ensures our venue is always tidy and in great working order, and we truly appreciate everything he does for us.

It has been fantastic welcoming our families back into the venue, and we've loved seeing so many new faces joining our growing community. We have truly loved every minute of this term and hope everyone enjoys their well-deserved break. Stay warm, and who knows, we may even see some of our Fairfield Busy Bumbles children during the holidays!

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He Puna Karumata, Leeston School
Christchurch

Term 2 has been a whirlwind of activity at our kura and our BBs venue. We have had so much fun at Leeston BBs!

The children have been doing some amazing singing, dancing and acting in preparation for the school production this term and it has been great to hear them progress and see their enjoyment.
We've done lots of activities and games each week with our different themes and weekly Buzzword. Our tamariki have also been loving the snacks that Busy Bumbles are providing from this term onwards. Check out our Facebook page each week as we highlight the fun we've had!

We've welcomed Breana and Mia to our BBs whanau and celebrated a few birthdays. We have also really enjoyed having Holly to help out while Kathryn was away. Thanks Holly!

We can't wait to see all those smiling faces back with us again next term and hopefully we might even see you during the holidays!

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BBs Merch Available

By popular demand, Busy Bumbles bucket hats and tees are now available for sale.
Just head to the SHOP page of our website: www.busybumbles.co.nz

Te Uru Tarata, Lemonwood Grove School Christchurch

This term we said a fond farewell to our amazing Supervisor Talitha, and we welcomed our awesome new Supervisor, Kat. The tamariki are enjoying Kat's quick wit and playful energy as well as the new craft activities and competitive games Kat has brought in with her. Thanks to our fabulous SingStar game run by Josh, our Assistant Supervisor, the tamariki are getting to show off their amazing singing voices to their peers and parents. As always, we have offered lots of opportunities for the children to develop their sporting skills outside and we run our own version of the FIFA World Cup most days!

At the beginning of this term, Busy Bumbles began providing our tamariki with yummy snacks when they come to us from class in the afternoons. The children have been really enjoying the variety of snacks we have been offering, and we have noticed happy children and good energy around the venue.

The Lemonwood Busy Bumbles team are looking forward to the exciting opportunities that our holiday programme will bring and hope to see you there! Before we know it, Term 3 will be upon us, with lots more fun to offer.

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Family Discounts Available

Will another member of your whānau be joining Busy Bumbles this year? Don't forget, we're proud to support larger families by offering a 10% discount off term fees for siblings!

Māori Hill School Dunedin

Kia ora everyone,

This term has flown by at Māori Hill! It has been a fantastic few months, getting to know everyone a little better and welcoming some new faces into our programme.

Some of our favourite memories this term have been Star Wars Week, creating our sensory bags, and of course all the fun dress-up days. We've also enjoyed plenty of games, creativity, laughter, and making new friendships along the way.

A big thank you to all our tamariki and whānau for making this term so enjoyable. We hope everyone has a safe, relaxing, and well-deserved break, and we look forward to seeing you next term for more fun and adventures!

Ngā mihi

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Let's Connect

Are you following Busy Bumbles on Facebook? Follow our main BBs page and your local venue page for updates, announcements, special offers and more!

Mornington School Dunedin

Kia ora from Mornington Busy Bumbles!

Wow! What a great term it has been. We have had so much fun this term welcoming some new faces in the mornings and afternoons and it has been great to see some familiar faces return.

Aside from all the cool activities, crafts and games we have enjoyed as part of our programme, this term we have also been busy celebrating pink shirt day and dancing and doing face painting at The Saint Francis Xavier disco and the Mātariki disco at Mornington school. We also love regularly going to Mornington school assemblies and seeing our tamariki achieving wonderful things.

We were thrilled to reach the wonderful milestone of having 10 children from Saint Francis Xavier join us in one day and we are excited to grow our fantastic hapori further. We can't wait to meet more new families and welcome new friends to our hive.

He waka eke noa! - We are all in this together.
See you next term, or perhaps at our fun holiday programme!

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New: 24 Hour Cancellation Policy!

Since the start of Term 2, BBs has required just 24 hours' notice for cancellations.
A simple change that's helping make life a little easier for busy families!

Te Kura o Taumata Kuri, Prebbleton School Christchurch

Wow, Term 2 is over and done, just like that!

Despite some cooler days, we have enjoyed playing outside as much as ever - under the COLA, on the tyre playground, in the gaga pit, on the basket swing… anywhere we can keep our healthy bodies moving!

We have really enjoyed an awesome new change at the start of this term, with introducing an afternoon snack! This has been an absolute hit with the children. Some of the favourites have been corn thins and the rice crackers!

We have also welcomed some new families this term and it has been lovely making connections and getting to know them. We can't wait to meet more families and show them all the fun we have!

Our holiday programme will start in no time, so get booked in so you don't miss out on all the great activities we have planned!

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Homework Sessions

Don't forget our FREE homework sessions during After School Programmes — helping reinforce learning and giving families more time together at home.

Te Ahi Kaikōmako, Rolleston School Christchurch

We are excited to welcome new whānau this term, and also welcome Lily who has joined our BBs team at Te Ahi Kaikōmako - Rolleston School.

Term 2 has been filled with so much fun and a huge variety of indoor and outdoor activities. We particularly loved seeing the tamariki passionately wear their favourite pink outfit to show support for kindness and inclusion on Pink Shirt Day.

As we head into the school holidays, we proudly reflect on all the effort and hard work that the children have put into their projects and relationships and the resulting progress that they've made.

It's been a great term and we are already looking forward to building more friendships in Term 3.

See you all then!

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Did You Know...

Children are welcome to join our Holiday Programmes, even if they attend a different school! Please let your friends, whānau and neighbours know their tamariki are welcome to join us if we have capacity.

Te Parito Kōwhai, Russley School Christchurch

What a term! For the longest term of the year, it sure flew by!

A big welcome to the new tamariki that have joined our Russley BBs whānau! Lots of gorgeous younger siblings have been joining our crew and we are having a blast figuring out what they love to do in the mornings and afternoons.
We have been very busy bees here at Russley BBs. With our bathroom and deck finally built, only the Gaga Pit is left to be completed. We just can't wait for the Gaga Pit to be open to enjoy for the rest of the winter months and anticipate our tamariki will be wanting to be out there playing, rain, hail or shine!

Our supervisor, Bria, has been away on her student teacher placement for the middle chunk of the term and we are so happy to see her back and to be getting back into our routine. Bria spent her last day before placement down at Russley School's cross country race day, supporting, cheering and even running alongside our current and former Russley BBs tamariki. It was a wonderful day. We enjoyed building relationships with some of the different BBs staff that assisted while Bria was on placement and while Manisha has been unwell. We want to thank them all for the wonderful support, especially to our other Assistant Supervisor, Miriam, for running the ship ever so smoothly.

Our afternoon snacks have been a hit and it seems that we have finally nailed the perfect routine for our tamariki in the afternoons. We have been taste testing lots of different flavours and it is safe to say we are a very flavourful bunch as we just can't decide on our favourites!

Our chestnut collecting over autumn was EPIC! Our total count was 688 chestnuts! Almost triple last year! The tamariki had a blast collecting them and are very excited for next year to see if we can collect even more. We loved seeing all the creative ways our tamariki used them as well, there was pretend play in the cafe, crafts, creations and even races and competitions.

We can't wait for all the fun that the holiday programme will bring and to see what Term 3 has in store for us! We hope to see you soon and don't forget, we are always happy to help if you have any questions, queries or feedback too.

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Silverstream School Dunedin

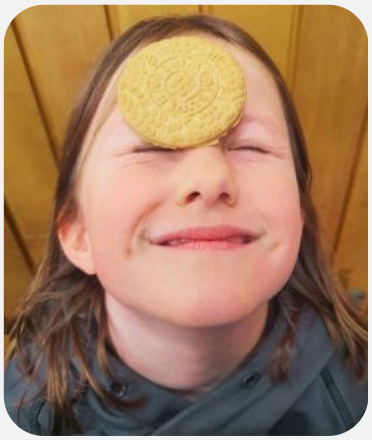
As Term 2 draws to a close, we would like to take a moment to reflect on the fantastic term that we've had!

It's been a busy and fun term at Busy Bumbles Silverstream, with the children showing lots of creativity, learning, and growth throughout. It's been lovely to see their confidence and friendships continuing to develop.

This term we farewelled Bianca from her role as Assistant Supervisor. We thank her for her time at Busy Bumbles and wish her all the best for her future adventures. We are so pleased to welcome Gina as our new Assistant Supervisor. Gina is enjoying getting to know the children and families and is settling in well.
We have also continued to welcome new families into Busy Bumbles, which has been great for our growing community.

Be sure to follow us on Facebook to see what we've been up to: www.facebook.com/bbssilverstream

We wish you a wonderful holiday break and can't wait to see what Term 3 brings.



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HP Pricing Here to Stay!

Big news… the Holiday Programme special pricing we tested over summer is officially HERE TO STAY! That means half-day sessions are now just $40 (previously $60) and full-day sessions are now just $55 (previously $70)!

Te Matauru Primary
Christchurch

Term 2 at Te Matauru Busy Bumbles was full of creativity, fun, and new friendships. Some of our highlights included making Baby Yoda crafts, creating beautiful 3D snowflakes, and taking part in an exciting autumn-themed scavenger hunt.

Throughout the term, tamariki enjoyed exploring new activities, developing their skills, and building meaningful connections with others.

It has been wonderful to see everyone learning, growing and having fun together. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook to see what we've been up to: www.facebook.com/bbstemataauru

We can't wait for all the fun that the upcoming holiday programme and Term 3 will bring.

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FREE Light Snacks

A little something that's been creating lots of happy buzz this term? Our afternoon snacks! Since launching in Term 2, we've loved seeing tamariki enjoy a light snack after school, helping them stay energised for an afternoon of fun and adventure.
It's a small addition that's been warmly welcomed by our Busy Bumbles whānau.

Te Kura o Rātā, Templeton School
Christchurch

We've been busy creating at Templeton this term, we've got very craft motivated kids!

From paper mache helmets to slime monsters, we've got it all! We're always keeping our craft box topped up to see all the creations that come our way.

We can't wait to see the new creations in the new term, these kids have amazing minds and we're sure we'll be surprised with what comes next!

Thank you to our lovely families for all your support over the term. We wish you a wonderful holiday break with your children and hopefully we'll see some of you at our fun-filled holiday programme!

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You're In Control of Your Bookings!

Busy Bumbles bookings are FLEXIBLE! That means you have full control of updating your own bookings as needed via the online portal or app. A few clicks is all it takes, but our friendly team are always here to help if you get stuck.

Te Rau Horopito Christchurch

Term 2 at our Te Rau Horopito Busy Bumbles venue is done and dusted and what a great time it's been!

I only joined the team this term but I'm so happy I did. I have loved meeting all parents and Te Rau Horopito School staff - you were all so lovely and welcoming. I have also loved making connections with all the busy little bees here, we have had so much fun, had so many laughs and have learned lots of new skills. Thank you everyone for making my first term awesome.

We so look forward to the rest of the year and hopefully welcoming many more tamariki to our amazing venue!!

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Te Rōhutu Whio Christchurch

What a busy and exciting term we've had at Te Rōhutu Whio Busy Bumbles! Our tamariki have enjoyed a fantastic variety of activities, challenges and themed celebrations.

From fast-paced Minute to Win It competitions to creative painting and craft challenges, everyone has had the chance to test their skills, express their creativity, and have lots of fun with friends.
We stepped into a world of kings, queens, princes, and princesses during Royalty Week, celebrated kindness and inclusion for Pink Shirt Week, and journeyed to a galaxy far, far away with our Star Wars-themed activities.

We also loved creating special Mother's Day gifts to show our appreciation of the amazing mums and caregivers in our lives.
As the seasons changed, our autumn sensory bags provided hands-on exploration and learning, helping children discover the colours, textures and treasures of autumn.

A special highlight this term was welcoming Ruby to our team as our new programme assistant. Ruby has quickly become a valued part of our Busy Bumbles whānau, bringing enthusiasm, kindness, and plenty of energy to our activities. The children have loved getting to know her, and we're excited to have her as part of our team.

We hope to see lots of you for further fun at one of our other venues during our holiday programme. If not, we'll look forward to seeing you back at Te Rōhutu Whio Busy Bumbles next term!

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Wakari School Dunedin

What a term we have had here at our wonderful Wakari BBs venue.

There have been so many awesome activities and themes this term it is hard to choose a favourite. Autumn Explorers did seem to be a stand out, however, with the Autumn themed crafts and nature scavenger hunt. The frequent rainy weather has meant we have spent lots of time inside but that has not stopped our fun. We have played endless games of pool noodle tag, octopus and played a whole bunch of chess.

This term we have welcomed six new families into our hive. To those who are new, welcome, we are so excited to have you here at Busy Bumbles and hope you have loved the way our experienced tamariki have kindly helped you to settle in.

This term we have also welcomed our new Wakari Supervisor, Molly. Molly is a student at the University of Otago and now supervises the after-school care programme. Molly has settled in nicely and the kids have thoroughly enjoyed spending time with her. It has been so exciting seeing our BBs whānau grow!

Term 2 has set the standard high, bring on Term 3! We hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable break.

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Did You Know...

Depending on your circumstances, WINZ may cover up to 100% of your programme costs! Head to www.busybumbles.co.nz to learn more.

Te Kura o Papatahora, West Melton School Christchurch

With so much laughter, smiles, and fun, Term 2 is coming to an end! At West Melton, we've loved welcoming back many of our little bees and have also enjoyed meeting some new faces who have become part of our West Melton BBs family.

We settled into the term quickly with plenty of singing, dancing, colouring, and bracelet-making. Our little bees threw themselves into all our games, activities, and challenges and we've discovered a few new favourites along the way! We especially enjoyed All About Pink (Pink Shirt Week) and Musical Mayhem.

All About Pink was a wonderful reminder of just how kind-hearted, thoughtful, and caring our little bees are. We are so proud of the way they look out for one another, include others and help create such a positive and welcoming environment at the hive.

This isn't goodbye, it's just a see you later! Our Assistant Supervisor, Eva, has left the West Melton hive for a little while, as she heads overseas to work at Camp America. We are all missing her lots but know that she will have the most amazing adventure and can't wait to hear all about it when she returns.

Thank you to all our wonderful families for another fantastic term.
Let's bring the same energy, enthusiasm, and fun into Term 3! See you all then!

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Te Kura o Te Uru Kōwhai, West Rolleston School Christchurch

Term 2 is nearly over and what a great term it has been! We have welcomed some new families to our West Rolleston Busy Bumbles whānau and also welcomed back some familiar, friendly faces that we hadn't seen for a while. We are so pleased to have you as part of our family.

This term has seen the introduction of afternoon snacks. Many children are excited to get to the venue and see what is on offer that day. There have been some crowd favourites such as corn chips, fruit bars and BBQ rice crackers. This has also given our older children a chance to take on some responsibility, by assisting us with handing out the snack of the day, listening for those all-important 'yes please' or 'no thank yous'!

We have enjoyed so may awesome activities this term! Music week was a hit, where our children were able to dance off against each other, showing their latest moves, and also create musical instruments, such as guitars and drums! Minute to Win It was another much-loved theme, offering loads of great, fun games that will become regular favourites at the venue. As always, the children have enjoyed their time getting very creative and making their own costumes, cards and items for their imaginative role-play games. Our Twister game has been very well used too, with children and BBs staff alike, all getting involved to see how quickly they can twist up like a pretzel.

We look forward to loads more great times together, throughout our exciting holiday programme and into next term. Come join the fun with us!

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We ♥ Your Feedback

Your feedback really IS important to us! It helps us guide our vision for Busy Bumbles, so we can continue improving our programmes with your family's needs in mind. Chat with your venue team onsite, or get in touch with our management team to share your thoughts.