



What's Buzzing? May 2026

New phone number

0204 133 4140

Please put this number into your (or your young person's) phone: Also let any staff that work with your young person who may need to let us know about late arrivals / absences.

We are also updating our email addresses, please use thebuzznelson@gmail.com for now. Other emails can still be accessed for now, if you forget!

Staff updates

Greg has departed the Buzz - we wish him well in his new role at Nayland College. We are excited to announce two new staff members to The Buzz.



Kay McGill is our new Workskills Facilitator and is excited to join the Buzz Team with over 10 years experience in the disability community. She has had a variety of jobs before that, so understands what workskills are useful for our young people. When not at home in Richmond, she escapes to the Sounds with her dog, Skylah. Kay likes to make art out of barbed wire and stained glass!



Sarah Whittle is our Operations Administrator, and is here to set up systems to make us buzz along smoothly. Sarah has years of disability experience, both as a parent but also as a previous Regional Coordinator at Parent to Parent. She loves IT and computers. She lives in Hope with her family, cat Millie and dog Maggie.

We have just posted an advert for an **Operations & Outreach Coordinator**. The role is on Seek, so if you know anyone who would fit the bill, please encourage them to apply!

Honey Sales

We have our delicious multiflora honey for sale for \$12 a jar. Pop into the Buzz to purchase! We accept bank transfers as well as cash.

Pretty Crafty Market

We are keen to continue selling our wares at the Market, this is on selected Sundays in Richmond. If anyone is keen to help out please let us know.

Date for your Diary

The Buzz will be closed on Matariki, Friday 10th July.

Thank you

We have an amazing committee and volunteers who work above and beyond to ensure the Buzz runs seamlessly and smoothly. As always we would like to extend our warm thanks and huge appreciation to them all.

Our hardworking committee (often also volunteering) are: Andrea Lee (Chair), Michelle Nunes-Vaz (Treasurer), Helen McDonnell (Secretary) Jane Linn (Overseeing Operations), Victoria Lagrutta and Jo Hillis.

Our wonderful volunteers are: Denise, Sal, Julie, Carolyn and Miro.

Thank you to our previous committee member Shane Blows for his contribution to The Buzz.

Supporters

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all our supporters and funders. We are grateful for their support and their belief in what we are doing for young people at the Buzz.



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