



Week 1 – Principal Update

Welcome to Term 3!

Welcome back to Term 3! It has been wonderful to see our students return with smiling faces, eager minds and a genuine enthusiasm for learning. Walking through classrooms this week, there has been a real sense of purpose as students have quickly settled back into routines and embraced the opportunities that a new term brings.

Great learning begins with strong relationships, high expectations and a commitment to ensuring every child feels known, valued and supported. It has been fantastic to see our students demonstrating our school values of Kindness, Creativity and Curiosity from the very first day back, whether that be through supporting a classmate, asking thoughtful questions or tackling new learning challenges with confidence.

Term 3 promises to be another exciting and productive term. Alongside the engaging learning taking place in classrooms each day, we have a range of events, sporting opportunities and celebrations to look forward to, including Book Week later this term. We are also continuing our focus on delivering high-quality, evidence-informed teaching practices that ensure every student is challenged, supported and empowered to achieve their personal best.

📚 ✨ Somie Rise Storytime is back for Term 3! ✨ 📚

Join us every Friday from 2:30–3:15pm in our Foundation classroom (Room 7) for a fun-filled afternoon of stories, songs, crafts and play!

Each week features a different theme to spark curiosity and imagination:

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| 🌿 NAIDOC Week | 📖 Book Week |
| 🦘 Australian Animals | 🚧 Construction |
| 👨🏫 Community Helpers | 👨🏻👧🏻 Father's Day |
| 💕 Friendship Day | 🌸 Spring |
| 🔬 Science Week | |

Our Storytime sessions are free and open to the wider community for children aged 0–5 years, along with their parents, grandparents or carers. It's a wonderful opportunity to meet other local families, enjoy engaging activities, and become familiar with Somie Rise before your child starts school. No bookings required - Mrs Harry, Ms Graves, Miss Goddard and Miss Verbakel would love to see you there!

Families with older children, please feel free to share with neighbours or friends that might be interested!

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2026 Enrolments – Cut off Dates

If you have any children starting foundation in 2027 or know anyone in our school zone, we would love to have them come and tour our school and see firsthand, the amazing work that is happening! Numbers are filling fast, and places may be limited to those who are not in our school zone. A reminder that enrolment application forms for Foundation 2027 are due in by Friday 31st July 2026.

Keep living the dream!

Matt Jackson
Principal

Wellbeing Update

Camp is Almost Here!

Next week, our Year 3–6 students will be heading to Phillip Island Adventure Resort for what will be an exciting and memorable camp experience. For some students, this may be their very first school camp or their first time staying away from home, making it a significant milestone.

Camp offers students the opportunity to develop independence, resilience, confidence and teamwork while building friendships, challenging themselves and creating lasting memories through a range of fun outdoor activities.

As camp approaches, it's normal for students to experience a mix of emotions. They may be feeling excited, nervous, anxious or unsure about the adventure ahead. These feelings are a natural part of stepping outside our comfort zone and trying something new.

How families can help prepare their child:

-  Speak positively about camp and encourage your child to share any questions or worries they may have.
-  Involve your child in packing by helping them locate their belongings, label items with their name and choose a comfort item (such as a small teddy) if appropriate.
-  Reassure your child that it's okay to experience a range of emotions before camp; many students feel this way, and these feelings often settle once the adventure begins.
-  Remind your child that our Somie Rise staff will be there every step of the way to support, encourage and care for them throughout the camp.

Wishing all of our Year 3–6 students a fantastic camp experience at Phillip Island Adventure Resort, we can't wait to hear all about their adventures!

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What's happening at Somerville Rise Primary School!

Term 3 – Week 2

Monday 20 th July	Philip Island Adventure Camp – Years 3 – 6
Tuesday 21 st July	Philip Island Adventure Camp – Years 3 – 6
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Friday 24 th July	100 Days of Foundation Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in the Room 7

Term 3 – Week 3

Tuesday 28 th July	Parent Teacher Interviews in the gym
Wednesday 29 th July	Parent Teacher Interviews in the gym
Friday 31 st July	Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in Room 7

Term 3 – Week 4

Wednesday 5 th August	School Council 5:30pm
Friday 7 th August	Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in the Room 7

Term 3 – Week 5

Tuesday 11 th August	iSea, iCare Workshop
Friday 14 th August	Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in Room 7 Term 3 Sprint 1 Feedback is available

Term 3 – Week 6

Monday 17 th August	Term 3 Sprint 2 Curriculum Overviews available
Friday 21 st August	Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in the Room 7

Term 3 – Week 7 – Book Week

Wednesday 26 th August	Book Week Costume Parade Book Week Incursion
Thursday 27 th August	District Basketball
Friday 28 th August	Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in Room 7

Term 3 – Week 8

Monday 31 st August	Term 3 Sprint 2 Curriculum Overviews available
Friday 4 th September	Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in the Room 7

Other Important Dates

Wednesday 9 th September	Foundation Farm Excursion
Friday 11 th September	School Disco Fundraiser
Monday 5 th October	Curriculum Day #3 – Student Free Day
Monday 2 nd November	Professional Practice Day
Friday 18 th December	Curriculum Day #4 – Student Free Day

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At Somie Rise we value...



Kindness



Curiosity



Creativity

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