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SOMERVILLE RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Week 3 – Principal Update

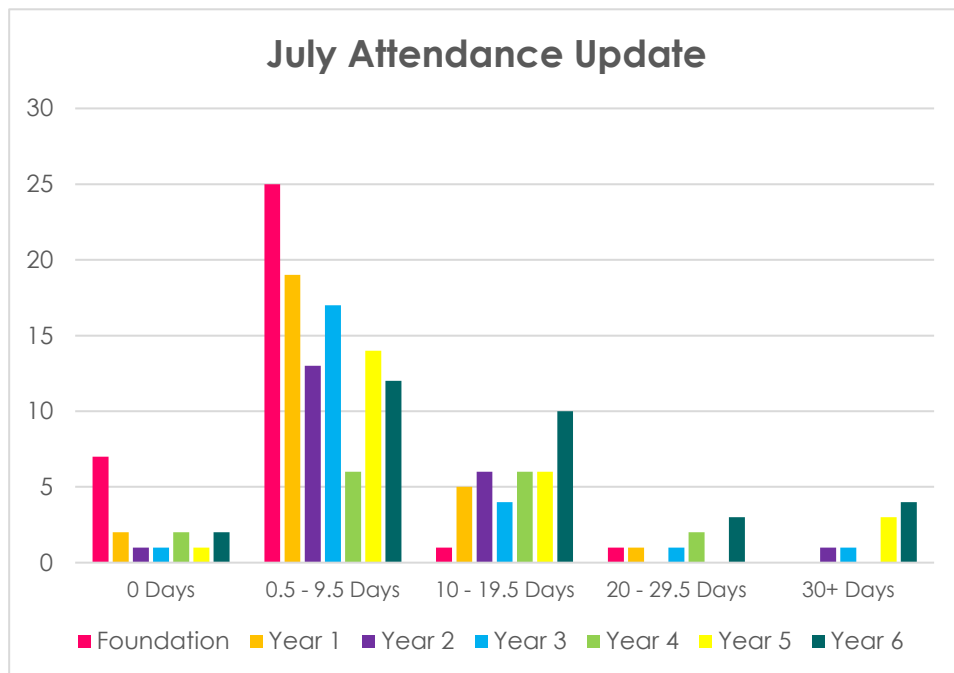
Attendance Update

At the end of the term, we received an update of our semester 1 student attendance from the Southeast Victorian Region.

In the graph to the left, we can see a large group of students who are hovering between 0 and 10 days.

We currently have 94% of our students on track to meet our less than 20 school days goal for 2026!

We do have many students who have already missed 10+ school days for 2026. Some of these are due to extended family holidays or significant illnesses, which have been communicated to school.



Unfortunately, there are several absences that are for reasons that are not school approved. Absences for sibling's birthdays, sleep ins or even attending movie premieres are increasing and impacting on various aspects of school life.

Parent Teacher Interviews = Success

Our recent Parent-Teacher Interviews were a great success, with the new format in the gym creating a welcoming and convenient space for families and teachers to connect.

Bringing everyone together in one central location made it easier for parents and carers to meet with multiple teachers and discuss their child's progress, achievements and next steps. The positive conversations and strong attendance reflected the value our community places on working together to support every student.

Thank you to all the families who attended and to our staff for helping the evening run so smoothly. We appreciate the positive feedback received and look forward to continuing to refine this format for future interviews.

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2027 Foundation 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!

A reminder that enrolment application forms for Foundation 2027 are due **TODAY**.

We currently have 31 confirmed Foundation students for 2027 and only 9 spots available.



Staff Car Park Reminder 🚗

We kindly ask that **parents and carers do not park in the staff car park at any time**, including during pick-up and drop-off. These parking spaces are allocated for staff, and we want to minimise children walking through the car park where vehicles are entering, exiting and reversing.

Our staff finish at different times throughout the afternoon, with many leaving between **3.00 pm and 4.30 pm**, so there is regular vehicle movement well after the school day ends. We appreciate that parking can sometimes be challenging, but using the designated parent parking areas helps us create a safer environment for everyone.

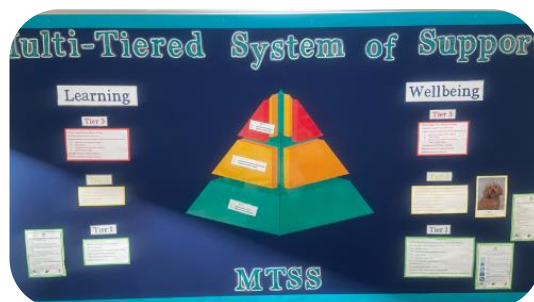
Keep living the dream!

Matt Jackson
Principal

Understanding Our Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)

At Somerville Rise Primary School, we use a Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) to ensure every student has the opportunity to learn, thrive and feel connected at school.

MTSS is an evidence-based framework that is being embedded across Victorian government schools through the Department of Education's approach to teaching, learning, behaviour and wellbeing. It helps schools provide the right level of support, at the right time, for every student by using data to identify needs and respond with appropriate supports.



At Somerville Rise, all students benefit from our whole-school wellbeing programs and positive behaviour supports (Tier 1). Some students may also access targeted small-group interventions (Tier 2) or individualised support (Tier 3), depending on their needs. Our staff regularly review student wellbeing, engagement, attendance and learning data to ensure support remains responsive and effective. As students grow and their needs change, the level of support they receive may also change.

If you're popping past the office, take a look at our MTSS display in the foyer. It provides an overview of the three tiers of support and showcases the many ways we work together to ensure every student feels safe, included, and successful at Somerville Rise.

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What's happening at Somerville Rise Primary School!

Term 3 – Week 4

Wednesday 5th August

Thursday 6th August

Friday 7th August

School Council 5:30pm

Year 5/6 ISAC Technology Challenge

Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm

Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in the Room 7

Term 3 – Week 5

Tuesday 11th August

Friday 14th August

iSea, iCare Workshop

Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in Room 7

Term 3 Sprint 1 Feedback is available

Term 3 – Week 6

Monday 17th August

Friday 21st August

Term 3 Sprint 2 Curriculum Overviews available

Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm

Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in the Room 7

Term 3 – Week 7 – Book Week

Monday 24th August

Wednesday 26th August

Book Fair Opens

Book Week Costume Parade

Book Week Incursion

Thursday 27th August

District Basketball

Friday 28th August

Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in Room 7

Term 3 – Week 8

Monday 31st August

Wednesday 2nd September

Friday 4th September

Term 3 Sprint 2 Curriculum Overviews available

School Council 5:30pm

Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm

Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in the Room 7

Term 3 – Week 9

Monday 7th September

Thursday 10th September

Friday 11th September

District Athletics Carnival

Foundation Farm Excursion

Somie Rise Storytime 2:30pm in Room 7

School Disco Fundraiser

Other Important Dates

Monday 5th October – Curriculum Day #3 – Student Free Day

Monday 2nd November – Professional Practice Day

Friday 18th December – Curriculum Day #4 – Student Free Day

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At Somie Rise we value...



Kindness



Curiosity



Creativity

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