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SOMERVILLE RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Week 9 – Principal Update

2025 Somie Rise Christmas Concert

Unfortunately the weather was not so kind to us on Tuesday for our annual Christmas Concert and I am grateful that did not stop anyone in our community from coming along and celebrating!

There were so many things to celebrate at this year's concert, great singing, questionable dancing skills and smiles that filled the room. It's moments like this that make our jobs so fulfilling and fun! A huge thank you to Mrs Stock for her work in organising the soundtracks of 2025, the classroom teachers for organising the Christmas songs and Mrs Andrews for organising the music for the night.



2026 Staffing Updates

The end of a school year is always full of mixed emotions, everyone is saddened by the saying farewell to their current teachers and classmates and full of excitement for new beginnings and opportunities the next school year will bring. At Somie Rise we spend a lot of time preparing our students by ensuring consistent, predictable routines and we believe in doing the same for our families.

So in the spirit on predictability we are pleased to announce our staff placements for 2026.

Classroom

FA – Eleanor Glaves
FB – Bella Goddard
1/2A – Kylie Hogan
1/2B – Ainslie Christy
3/4A – James Morrison
3/4B – Kaye Ralph (t.b.c.)
5/6A – Brooke Andrews
5/6B – Natalie Mayor

Education Support

Christine Davison – Foundation
Charli Verbakel – Foundation
Donna Stamatis – Year 1/2
Andrea Huxley – Year 1/2
Hayden O'Brien – Year 3/4
Abbey Dunn – Year 3/4
Jarryd P – Year 3/4
Billy Rolfe – Year 5/6
Al Harvey – Year 5/6
Trish Creely – Chaplain

Specialists

PE – Brenton Patterson
Visual Art – Leanne Day
Performing Arts – Dawn Stock
Barn – Debbie Deacon
Library & AUSLAN – Sarah Kandasamy

Admin Team

Liz Bodley – Business Manager
Leanne Trembath – Office
Remi Harvey – Social Media
Elisha Page – Disability Inclusion
Jared Cooke – IT

Maintenance Team

Mark Tennant
Adrian Dunstan

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Christmas Tree Competition – Reminder

Please Vote to help Somie Rise WIN!

We need our local school community, family, friends or anyone with a phone to vote Somerville Rise. Please scan the QR code located on the poster below Somerville Rise P.S Christmas tree display, to maximise our school's chance of winning a \$500 Officeworks gift card.

Our theme for our Golden Christmas tree the Somie Rise Angels – Mr Jackson and Ms Jelleff and the angel students of Somie Rise! Somerville Central will also be giving five lucky voters a \$50 Target gift card, which will be selected at random at the end of the voting period – voting ends 8th December.

2025 Yearbook

Growing up I remember the excitement of receiving my school yearbook and looking back on the exciting things I had been part of during the school year. Now being a principal, I get the same enjoyment looking back on the year we have had!

I know the families that purchased the books will be blown away by the quality and memories that are captured in this year's edition. A huge thank you to Leanne, Elisha and Remi for their work and effort in making this come to life!

Social Media Update – Which platforms are age-restricted?

This snippet comes from the eSafety Commissioner and is a decision that has been made by government agencies. [Read the full article here.](#)

To help the online industry and the public to prepare for the Social Media Minimum Age obligation (SMMA obligation), eSafety has considered whether certain services are likely to be 'age-restricted social media platforms' and are therefore required to take reasonable steps to prevent Australians under 16 from having social media accounts from 10 December 2025.



Services that eSafety considers will be age-restricted social media platforms	Services that eSafety considers will not be age-restricted social media platforms
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facebook Instagram Kick Reddit Snapchat Threads TikTok Twitch X (formerly Twitter) YouTube 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discord GitHub Google Classroom LEGO Play Messenger Pinterest Roblox Steam and Steam Chat WhatsApp YouTube Kids

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Keep living the dream!

Matt Jackson
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What's happening at Somerville Rise Primary School!

Term 4 Week 10

Tuesday 9th December

Friday 12th December

Statewide Transition Day

Year 6 Parent BBQ

4 UP – Somerville Secondary College

Year 5 Leadership Day – Enchanted Adventure

Term 4 Week 11

Tuesday 16th December

Wednesday 17th December

Thursday 18th December

Friday 19th December

Year 6 Graduation

Christmas Raffle Drawn

Year 6 Celebration – Gumbuya World

Last Day of Term 4 & 2025 Final Assembly (incl. Leaders on the Rise November)

Curriculum Day – Student Free Day

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At Somie Rise we value...



Kindness



Curiosity



Creativity

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