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SOMERVILLE RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Week 10 – Principal Update

Term 1 Recap

And like that Term 1 has been and gone! Scary to think that we are now in April and ¼ way through the school year! Taking time to reflect on the term and how busy we have been, I am proud to be the Principal of an amazing school and love coming to work each day. Just to remind everyone why we are all so tired, here is a recap of all the amazing things that happened in Term 1.

- 📅 2025 Welcome BBQ
- 📅 Foundation Interviews
- 📅 School Council Elections
- 📅 Spelling Mastery Training
- 📅 Preventive Intervention Training
- 📅 2025 GRIP Student Leadership Conference
- 📅 Parent Teacher Interviews
- 📅 2 lots of Learning Sprint Feedback to families
- 📅 NAPLAN
- 📅 School Photo Day
- 📅 Hot Dog Day
- 📅 Netball Clinics
- 📅 The Barn
- 📅 Evacuation Drills
- 📅 Somerville Family Fun Day
- 📅 2025 Easter Raffle
- 📅 The Best of Friends Program

Staff Updates

Yesterday we said farewell to a much-loved staff member, Mrs Sermon. Di started at Somerville Rise on the 11th April 2016, working in the office. It wasn't until I arrived, that Di requested to work in the classroom supporting the Junior classrooms. Although I don't think I scared her out of the office, Di found her feet – even though she was probably rolling around with students more often – and has never looked back!



On behalf of everyone at Somie Rise, we would like to thank Di for her work with our community and wish her all the best in her retirement 😊

I would also like to take the opportunity to introduce two new staff members into our Somie Rise family for next term. Charli Verbakel and Abbey Dunn will be joining our Education Support team and supporting teachers in the classroom. We are very excited to welcome Charli and Abbey!

We are also still in the process of finding a new teacher to support Mrs Harry in 3/4A. As soon as we have an update – we will notify our community!

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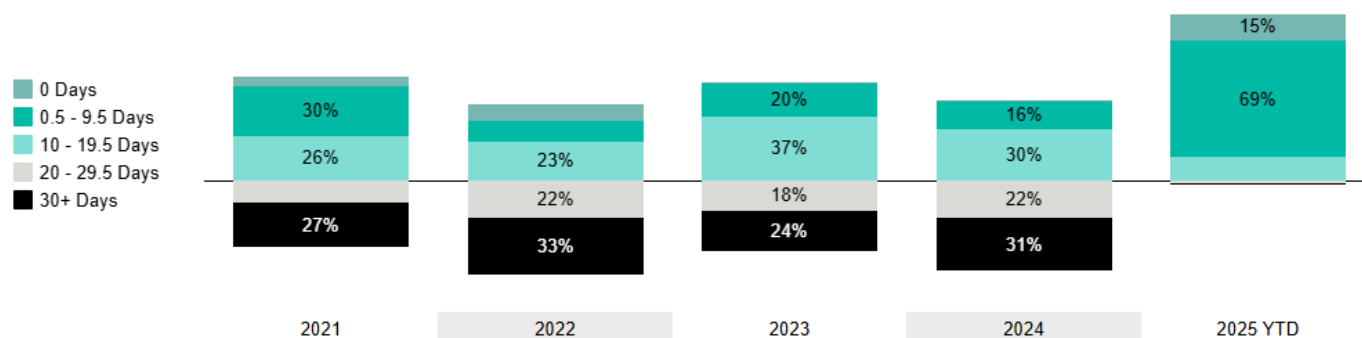
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Attendance Update

As mentioned throughout the term, a lot of work has gone into working with families to ensure that students are at school.

Absent day breakdown (5 years)

For students in Prep - 6



The break down of each of the Year Level is as follows

Year Level	Days Absent from School				
	0 Days	0.5 – 9.5 Days	10 – 19.5 Days	20 – 29.5 Days	30+ Days
Prep	6	17	1	1	0
Year 1	4	17	1	0	0
Year 2	1	15	5	1	0
Year 3	4	11	2	0	0
Year 4	5	14	5	0	0
Year 5	3	19	4	1	1
Year 6	0	14	3	0	0
Total	23	107	21	3	1

2026 School Tours

If you have any children starting foundation in 2026 or know anyone in our school zone, we would love to have them come and tour our school and see first-hand, the amazing work that is happening!

Keep living the dream!

Matt Jackson
Principal



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What's happening at Somerville Rise Primary School!

Term 2 Week 1

Monday 21 st April	Easter Monday Public Holiday
Tuesday 22 nd April	First day of Term 2
Thursday 24 th April	2025 Easter Hat Parade
Friday 25 th April	ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Term 2 Week 2

Wednesday 30 th April	School Open Morning – Foundation 2026
Friday 2 nd May	Glasses for Kids Program Whole School Assembly – Leaders on the Rise April Storytime

Term 2 Week 3

Wednesday 7 th May	Whole School Cross Country
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Term 2 Week 4

Friday 16 th May	World Education Support Day Whole School Assembly Storytime
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At Somie Rise we value...



Kindness



Curiosity



Creativity

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