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SOMERVILLE RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Week 1 – Principal Update

5Rs

Last term our school completed our mandated school review. A School Strategic Plan is a 4-year plan for school improvement, completed by schools after their school review. The plan is based on the key directions recommended by the school review panel and an analysis of school performance data and evidence conducted during the review.

The School Strategic Plan:

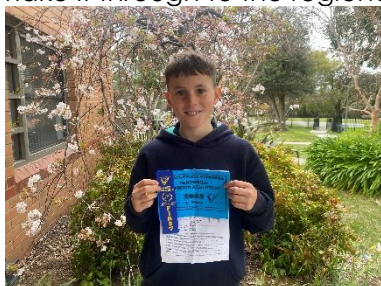
- outlines the school's vision and values
- sets goals and targets for improved student outcomes
- lists the key improvement strategies that will help achieve these goals and targets
- is sensitive to local needs

One of the recommendations from our review was to work on some low-level behaviours (for example calling out) that were impacting teaching and learning at Somie Rise. After much work and discussion with students and teachers we have developed the Somie Rise 5Rs.

Please have a look over the process and discuss with your family on how we can all work together to improve teaching and learning.

Celebrating our Athletic Stars

On Wednesday this week we had 3 students represent our school at the Divisional Athletics Carnival. Luke, Levi and Peter finished in the top 2 at the District Athletics Carnival in Term 3 and have now all won their events to make it through to the regional level.



Levi

1st Place Long Jump



Peter

1st Place Shotput



Luke

1st Place 200m & Long Jump

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We support positive, inclusive behaviours at Somie Rise!

These steps increase positive and respectful relationships between students and staff, while creating consistent predictable routines to ensure calm, safe and supportive learning environments.



Remind
A reminder of the expected behaviour will be provided, and you will be asked to adjust your behaviour.



Redirect
Two options will be provided to reset your behaviour. You will be asked to choose one of the options and demonstrate the expected behaviours.



Reset
You will be moved to another location within your learning space.



Remove
You will be removed from the learning space determined by the classroom teacher.



Restore
After the reflection sheet has been completed, a restorative conversation with your teacher will take place and your parents will be contacted.





Friday 10th October 2025, Edition 31

2026 Class Structures

2026 is a very exciting time for Somie Rise. We have our highest number of Foundation enrolments in a number of years and we are very pleased with the flexibility to create a sustainable class structure for our school.

In 2026, our school structure will be as follows

-  2 x Foundation Classes
-  2 x 1/2 Classes
-  2 x 3/4 Classes
-  2 x 5/6 Classes

We are also excited to have the following specialist classes

-  Barn
-  Physical Education
-  Performing Arts
-  Visual Arts
-  Library
-  Auslan

At this point in time teachers have not been allocated to positions. This information will not be released until the Statewide Transition Day on Tuesday 9th December.

Parent Requests and Class Placements for 2026

The leadership team and teachers are commencing to develop our plans for 2026 to ensure that we have a smooth and successful beginning to the school year. We ask that if you are moving or changing schools, it is important that we know of these intentions as soon as possible - could you please email the office on Somerville.rise.ps@education.vic.gov.au even if it is only a possibility.

I am happy to receive in writing from families, any special learning needs (physical, social, or emotional) which may have an impact on their grade placement. **I must have these by Friday 31st October 2025** (Correspondence beyond this date **will not** be considered). All requests will be considered but are not guaranteed. Please email all class placement requests to matthew.jackson@education.vic.gov.au.

Requests from previous years are not retained therefore a new request must be provided. Requests based purely on friendships or staffing are not appropriate. Staffing has not been finalised for 2026, and staff are still being allocated to year levels.

Once grades are finalised, there will not be any changes to class formations and placements.

Optus Digital Thumbprint - Parents Workshop @ Somerville Secondary College

This practical workshop on Monday 13th October will provide real-world advice and up-to-date information on the most relevant digital topics affecting young people today, including:

-  Online safety and responsible device use
-  Cyberbullying and sextortion
-  Password security and privacy settings
-  Image-based abuse: how to identify and manage it
-  Artificial Intelligence and deepfake awareness
-  Gaming risks and online exploitation.

This event is only for people 18+ (no students) – register for this event at Somerville Secondary College here <https://forms.office.com/r/7W1DSF5CsJ>.

Keep living the dream!

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

Term 4 Week 2

Wednesday 15th October

Bright Sparks Program – Year 6s

Friday 17th October

Stimulating Science Incursion

Koorie Kids Day Out

SRC Fundraiser – Loud Shirts for Hearing Impairment

Whole school assembly

Term 4 Week 3

Monday 20th October

F – 2 Water Safety Program

Tuesday 21st October

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Wednesday 22nd October

Bright Sparks Program – Year 6s

F – 2 Water Safety Program

School Council 5:30pm

Thursday 23rd October

F – 2 Water Safety Program

Friday 24th October

Whole School Photo

F – 2 Water Safety Program

Term 4 Week 4

Tuesday 28th October

World Teacher's Day

Wednesday 29th October

Bright Sparks Program – Year 6s

Friday 31st October

Whole school assembly – Leaders on the Rise October

Term 4 Week 5

Monday 3rd November

Professional Practice Day – Student Free Day

Tuesday 4th November

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Wednesday 5th November

Flying Book Worm Theatre Company Incursion

Thursday 6th November

2026 Foundation Transition Session #1

Term 4 Week 6

Thursday 13th November

2026 Foundation Transition Session #2

Friday 14th November

Whole school assembly

Term 4 Week 7

Wednesday 19th November

School Council 5:30pm

Thursday 20th November

2026 Foundation Transition Session #3

Friday 21st November

Somie Rise Colour Run

#KeepYourEyesonSomieRise #2025EstablishingExcellence

At Somie Rise we value...



Kindness



Curiosity



Creativity

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