



Larrakeyah Primary School

Newsletter, Wednesday 13th December, Term 4

Dear Parents,

Congratulations to all students who received awards at our Awards Presentation Assembly. It was a lovely celebration of our students' success. Thank you to Aderyn Chatterton (Regional Director Darwin) and Rachita Jain (Chairperson School Board) for presenting awards. Thank you also to the many parents who attended.

Last night we had the Year 6 graduation. Congratulations to our Year 6 students on completing their primary years. They have been a wonderful group of students and our second group of students who attended the Year 6 Singapore Study Tour and visited our sister school in Singapore. We are certainly proud of them and their achievements and trust that they have fond memories of their time at Larrakeyah Primary. We all wish them well in middle school next year.

We say farewell to Shona Gower, Glenda McGhee, Emily Sollis, Kate Grbin, Craig Smith and James Addlem. We have appreciated their contributions to our school and wish them all the best with their teaching careers. We also farewell Tandy Cunningham and thank her for her work in administration support.

A reminder to parents that 2018 draft class lists are displayed outside the front office. This list will be in draft as staff changes can occur prior to the commencement of the 2018 school year. Student reports have been sent home with students.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our school community who work in strong partnership with our school. We have had a wonderful school board who have supported Larrakeyah Primary to continue to operate as an Independent Public School. School board members have worked hard, together with staff, to support and improve our school. Thank you also to all parent volunteers who have given us their time to support various class and school activities throughout the year. Your support has been greatly appreciated.

It has been a highly successful and rewarding year at Larrakeyah Primary. It is the third year that we have operated as an Independent Public School, the second year as an accredited Cambridge International School and, given our performance, we are certainly recognised for our high standards, high expectations and high level of achievement. We wish you all a safe and merry Christmas. A reminder that tomorrow (Thursday 14th December) is the last day of the school year.

The front office will be open for purchasing school resources packs, uniforms and making parent voluntary contributions from Monday 15th January 2018.

Please note that students resume on **Monday 29 January 2018**.

Regards,

Fathma Mauger

Principal



Larrakeyah Primary School is a member of the Darwin City Schools and in partnership with Darwin Middle School, Darwin High School, Northern Territory Open Education Centre, Ludmilla Primary School, Stuart Park Primary School and Parap Primary School.

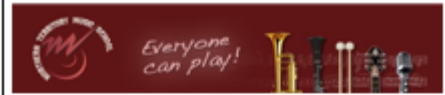


NT MUSIC SCHOOL



Last week we had the pleasure of the Darwin Middle School band visiting our school. It was wonderful to see some of our ex students playing in the band and even more special to have our Larrakeyah students join them for 2 songs.

If you are interested in learning an instrument with the NT Music School please enrol this week. Lessons are free, in school time and available to students in years 4-6. It's a fantastic opportunity for your child. Enrolments close on Friday.



IS YOUR CHILD INTERESTED IN LEARNING A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT?

Enrolments close Friday 15 December 2017

Enrolment applications are now open for all students interested in the NT Music School's Instrumental and Choral Program for 2018. Instrumental tuition may be offered to students from Year 5 upwards on flute, clarinet, saxophone, guitar, trumpet, trombone and percussion. Our choral program is offered in Middle Schools by audition.

The program is designed to develop playing and listening skills with our teachers coming to your child's school during school time.

If you child is a continuing student they will need to be re-enrolled for 2018.

Enrol online at www.ntms.net.au

Should you require further assistance phone NT Music School

8963 5550.



Enrolment at Larrakeyah Primary School in 2018

Please complete if your children will **not be** (other than year 6 students) attending Larrakeyah Primary School in 2018. Return to the office by email, larrakeyah.admin@ntschoools.net or hard copy as soon as possible.

My child /children will **not be** attending Larrakeyah Primary School in 2018.

Names of child / children _____

Year Level/s _____

Parent Name _____

Signature: _____

What's On



Dates to Remember



Thursday 14th December – End of Term

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Monday 15th January - School Office Opens

Beyblades and Fidget Spinners

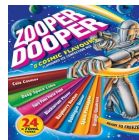
Due to some concerns with how they are being used, Beyblades and Fidget Spinners are

BANNED!



ZOOPEr DOOPER

For Sale \$1.00 each



After school every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
Room 12 – Ms Beynon's class.

All money raised will be going towards SLT fundraising.

ABSENCES

To ensure we keep our Attendance records correct please contact our front office if your child/children are absent.

You can contact us on **89813211**. Alternatively, you can notify us via our website or our Skool Bag App.

Larrakeyah Primary School App

The Larrakeyah Primary School app is available to download. If you prefer using the school website, please check the Skool Bag console in the For Parents section for latest news.

LOST PROPERTY

If your child has lost anything in the school, please come have a look in the lost property box located in the front office



Please can you save all your old electrical goods for us, as we enjoy unscrewing them all to see what interesting things are inside of them. Feel free to bring them into us.

Thank you.



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Our Online CANTEEN

Why has your school gone online?

Our Online Canteen is an online ordering system which is an easy and convenient way to order from your school. It enables you to order meals, uniforms etc.

Is the website safe and secure to use?

Yes, Our Online Canteen information is stored in Australia. We have the SSL certificate which is used whenever any financial transactions are performed and we are PCI DSS approved for secure financial transactions.

How can I add credit to my account?

There are three ways to add credit to your account: PayPal, Credit Card and Direct Deposit.

What do I do if I need help?

If you are experiencing any issues, you can call our experienced team on 1300 116 637 from 7:00am or email us at info@ouronlinecanteen.com.au

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Our Online CANTEEN

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How to get started:

- Visit www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au
- Sign up by completing the registration form
- Receive a confirmation email with activation link
- Activate your account and login to the website
- Add your children and credit to your account
- Order at your own convenience



1. SELECT STUDENT
2. SELECT YOUR DATE
3. ADD YOUR ITEMS
4. CONFIRM

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WET SEASON NETBALL 2017

Throughout Term 4 Larrakeyah Primary School entered four teams in the Wet Season School Netball Competition, played on Wednesday nights at Marrara Netball Courts

Each of the teams had their own strengths and abilities, and areas to work on, and worked incredibly hard to improve and develop themselves as a team as the season progressed. Week in and week out, the sportsmanship displayed by the Larrakeyah students was something which was noticeable from the sidelines and the school community should be proud of their achievements and positive attitudes. All students played across all positions, and some even had experience in umpiring which is a great step in the development of these players. Congratulations to the Year 6 team who went through the competition undefeated, and a very well done to the Year 4, Year 5 and Year 5/6 team who should be commended for their great attitudes and improvements.

A big thank you must go out to the coaches, Jocelyn Froehnel (Year 4 team), Danni Mattiazzo (Year 5 team), Tammy Telley (Year 5/6 team) and Katie Ambrose-Pearce (Year 6 team). Also to those parents, siblings and ex-students that picked up a whistle and/or a coaches hat each week to help us out – Ameer Meredith, Lucas Ambrose-Pearce, Isabella & Tori Mencshelyi, Jordyn Tremlett, Mia Mackenzie, Tanya Harvey, Kate Cleanthous, and Amanda Atkinson (and anyone else I've missed!). A final thanks to the parents and supporters of the players who made sure they got the students to the games each week, had the bibs washed and a drink bottle full - without you all it would be impossible to have competitions like this happen. Roll on next year!

Kiri Marschall

Congratulations

Girls

Congratulations to Annabel Kievit and Kira Lesh. Last week they competed in the Athletic Championships in Adelaide against the best young athletes from Australia and New Zealand.

We are all so proud of them.



Reading Certificates 2017 Term 4, Week 9

Level 10

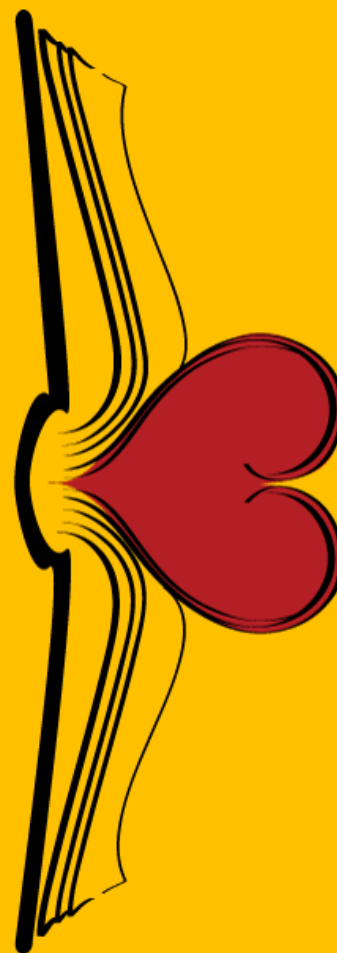
- Elda Florindo - 4 Beynon

Level 20

- Dj Cleanthous - 3 Matthews
- Boston Coudounellis - 3 Koulouriotis
- Leonie Rendwick Barra - 4 Smith

Lexile

- Brooke Carthew - 3 Matthews
- Lily Carnall - 3 Matthews
- Oliver Thompson - 3 Matthews
- Samrath Chhina - 3 Matthews
- Solaf Alattar - 3 Matthews
- Aiden Wenman - 3 Koulouriotis
- Kalisha Laukis - 3 Koulouriotis
- Myles Jackson - 4 Smith



2018 Extra Curricular Activity Program

Important Addition to the ECA Program for Term 1, 2018

Just Dance!

Call it dance. Call it exercise. When kids move to music, they call it fun! The 'Just Dance' fitness is a program where kids can exercise, dance and have fun all at the same time.

Instructor: Joanna Koulouriotis (19 years dance experience)

5 – 12 Year Olds

\$100

If you have already enrolled for an activity but wish to change to this one simply go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and type in the code cy66r and make your change.

Don't forget to enrol for an activity before school finishes. Remember payment is not needed until February 3, 2018

In Term 4, 1/2 Needham learnt about water safety.



Writing Focus Transition Addlem

During Semester 2 Transition Addlem learners used the 6+1 Writing Process to create their very own narrative piece. Students needed to create characters and a setting for their story. They then brainstormed and settled on a problem and solution for their narrative before receiving feedback from their peers which they used to help edit and revise their stories. This project culminated in students publishing and presenting their very own stories written and illustrated by themselves! These pictures show Eoin O’Keeffe, Madison Muller, Jolie Phan and Andre Sean Astadan displaying and enjoying their wonderful books.



News from the Defence School Transition Aide (DSTA)

Thank you to the parents who came along to the last morning tea for 2017. It was good to meet Jot the new Family Liaison Officer (FLO) and a good chance for some of the posting out parents to chat with the REDLO Annick about schooling elsewhere.

Merry Christmas to all our Defence Families! We wish you all a festive season full of joy and laughter.

To those that are leaving us for new locations we wish you all the very best in your future adventures and thank you for being an important part of our Larrakeyah School Community.

For those not escaping the Christmas wet season of Darwin please keep in mind there are lots of activities for you to enjoy from utilising the fabulous cycle ways to toad busting in the Botanical Gardens. Make Facebook your go to tool for discovering activities (pages like Growing Up Troppo) to keep you all busy or check out various websites I have recently discovered <https://www.darwinfamilylife.com.au/> and the other good sites like the Darwin City Council Libraries <https://www.darwin.nt.gov.au> Darwin Waterfront <http://www.waterfront.nt.gov.au/events/> , Leanyer & Palmerston Waterparks and of course the Museum to really escape the heat. Please enjoy the beautiful season ahead.

If anyone would like information on how they can show their support for those Defence Personnel that won't be home with their loved ones this Christmas please visit www.defence.gov.au/Events/Christmas/support.asp The most effective way for you to show your support is to [send an e-mail message to the troops](#). These messages of support are circulated widely to Australian personnel.

For those posting out you can request information on the new location by contacting Defence Family Helpline or checking out <https://www.defencecommunityhub.org.au/>. Keep an eye on the DCO website or their Facebook page so you don't miss the Welcoming events & expo in your area. If you find your child has difficulties educationally transitioning from NT schooling their new school you can apply for Education Assistance Scheme Tuition to reduce the educational impact of moving. This must be done within the first 18 months of a posting. It can cover up to 14 weeks of reimbursable tuition costs. For more information & to download the AD301 application form visit www.defence.com.au/dco

Safe travels!

**Jodie Murdoch – DSTA 89813211 jodie.murdoch@ntschoools.net
Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608 VVCS 1800 011 046**

Festive Fun!

Congratulations to the year 6 students on a very successful plant and produce sale. The produce that they baked looked really impressive and certainly did not hang around. The students all did a fantastic job promoting their products, there was a great market place atmosphere. All the plants on sale were successful examples of plants they had propagated by cutting, division or separation.

I want to thank the students for making it such a brilliant term and the teachers Mrs Matiatzo, Mrs McGhee and Mrs Woronuk for all their support and encouragement. Thank you to all the students, parents and staff who came along to support our students and make the sale a great success.

Wishing everyone a very happy Christmas!

Emily Tutty



LARRAKEYAH VACATION CARE 15th December 2017 to 26th January 2018

Please note that these are highlights for each day. Additional planned activities will be offered daily along with spontaneous play based around children interests .

Program runs 8:00 am to 5:30pm daily. Please bring a hat and lunch. Morning tea and afternoon

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS 15th Dec

Friday 15th

Origami Day

Today we will learn to do some cool origami.

Enrolment and Bookings (Last Day to enrol: Friday 1st December 2017)

Please email the day/ days you wish to enrol your child/ children to secure your booking if your child/children are continuing OSHC student. Alternatively, please fill in a current Vacation care enrolment form and Ezidebit form with all the information required. Vacation care forms can be picked up from our office.

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Late bookings cannot be accepted

LARRAKEYAH VACATION CARE 15th December 2017 to 26th January 2018

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS WEEK 1 - 18th to 22nd

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd

Various Christmas activities for everyone to do, from card making, cooking, art, sports and much more.



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LARRAKEYAH VACATION CARE 15th
December 2017 to 26th January 2018



PROGRAM
HIGHLIGHTS WEEK 2 – 8th
to 12th January

Monday 8th

We will be learning how to do some amazing drawings and bring out our creative side.

Tuesday 9th

Today we will bring out our inner scientist and make lots of cool science experiments.

Wednesday 10th

Hyper the Clown will come and visit and teach us to do lots of cool circus tricks.

Thursday 11th

Please bring a bike or scooter and a helmet (children will not be permitted to ride without a helmet)

Friday 12th

Children are encouraged to wear their hair crazy and wear crazy socks.

Please note that these are highlights for each day. Additional planned activities will be offered daily along with spontaneous play based around children interests .

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS WEEK 3 – 15th to 19th January

Monday 15th

Today we will have lots of fun making some jewellery and becoming builders.

Tuesday 16th

Children may bring a DVD from home. Please put your child's name on it.

Wednesday 17th

Children are encouraged to dress up as their favourite superhero or villain.

Thursday 18th Messy day

Please bring a spare change of clothes and wear old clothes as they may get stained.

Friday 19th

Laser Tag at Kingpin



Today we are off to Kingpin to play laser tag.

\$10 bus fee will apply



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS WEEK 4 – 22nd to 26th January

Monday 22nd

Please bring a bike or scooter and a helmet (children will not be permitted to ride without a helmet)

Tuesday 23rd

Today we are going to jump, jump and jump some more. We have a jumping castle all day long!

Wednesday 24th

Today we become artists and do lots of art and craft.

Thursday 25th

Today we head off to have lots of fun ice skating.

Please bring socks. Feel free to bring along any safety gear such as helmets, knee pads, elbow pads or gloves.

\$10 bus fee will apply



Friday 26th

Public Holiday
Centre Closed



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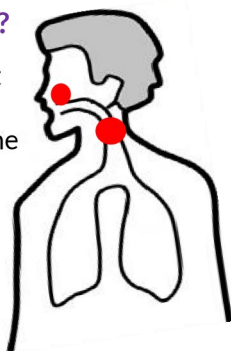
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Meningococcal disease

What is Meningococcal disease?

Meningococcal disease is a rare but severe infection that occurs when the germ 'invades' the body from the throat or nose.



How is it spread?

- Meningococcal disease is very hard to catch
- The germ is spread by respiratory droplets from close or prolonged person to person contact
- The germ doesn't live more than a few seconds outside the body



People **DO NOT** catch the germ by casual contact, breathing the air or touching a surface where someone with meningococcal germ has been

If you have any of these symptoms, go to your health clinic or doctor immediately



Fever



Headache
or neck stiffness



Drowsiness
or confusion



Joint pain



Rash of
purple spots



Dislike of
bright lights



Vomiting

YOUNG BABIES may have a high pitched cry, skin rash, dislike being carried, hard to wake from sleep or refuse to eat or drink

How is it diagnosed?

Your doctor or health centre staff will recommend testing as required

How is it treated?

Meningococcal disease needs urgent treatment with antibiotics

How is it prevented?

Vaccination protects the person and reduces the spread of the disease.

There are 4 types of meningococcal vaccines available in Australia.

Discuss vaccination with your doctor or health centre staff

Household and close contacts

High risk contacts will be identified by local public health units and offered clearance antibiotics and vaccination as per the national guidelines. A high risk contact :

- lived in the same house or dormitory as the case in the 7 days prior to onset of illness



- engaged in intimate kissing or was a sexual partner of a case in the 7 days prior to onset of illness

- child or staff at child care, kindergarten where the case spent 2 full days (6-8 hours per day) or a total of 20 cumulative hours in the 7 days prior to onset of illness



- sat directly next to a case in a vehicle (bus, plane, train) for greater than 8 hours