

Larrakeyah Primary School

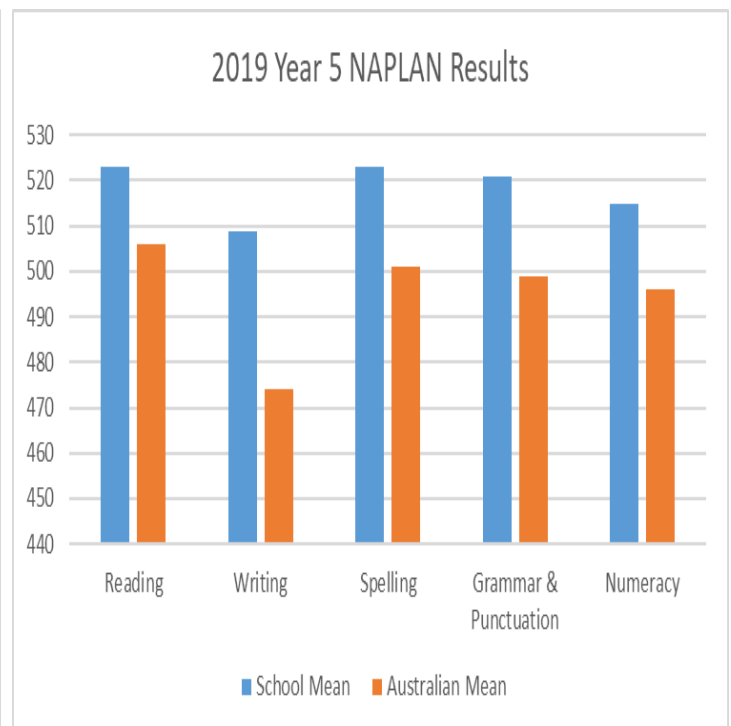
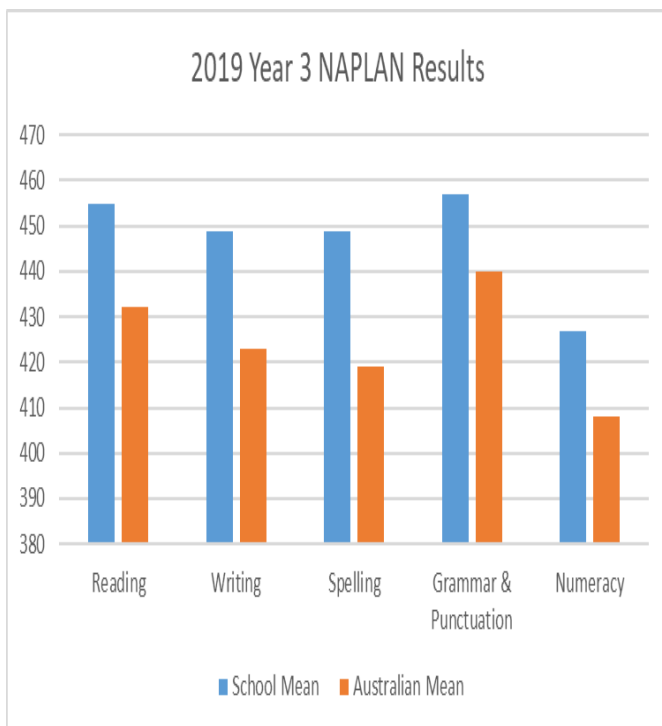
Newsletter, Wednesday 13th November, Term 4

Dear Parents and Guardians,

On Monday we held our special Remembrance Day assembly. Thank you to Shiva Heydarpour and Skipp Martin, our school captains, for their role as MC. Thank you to Jodie Murdoch (DSM) and Rick Collister for organising the Assembly. A special thank you to our guest speaker, Lieutenant Colonel Sam Pickering, Royal Australian Army for an excellent speech on the important of Remembrance Day and remembering those who served and lost their lives for Australia's cause in all wars and armed conflicts. Thank you to Leading Seaman Troy Wenman for his role as flag raiser alongside his sons Christian and Aiden. Also, a special thank you to our Year 6 students Ezekiel Pickering, William Wenman and Bella McKay for sharing their memories and meaning of Remembrance Day.

Larrakeyah is again running the 'Christmas Raffle'. Tickets have been sent home with all families and are due back by Friday 6th December, with the raffle being drawn on **Wednesday 11th December**. Donations towards the raffle can be dropped at the front office. Your support with the Christmas Raffle is appreciated.

We have received and are currently analysing our NAPLAN results. NAPLAN data is very useful for schools to identify strengths and focus areas for improvement. Again, Larrakeyah Primary has performed extremely well against the Australian Mean - above the Australian mean in Years 3 and 5 in all areas. Congratulations to our school community, particularly staff, for their strong commitment to our school improvement agenda.



Regards,

Natasha Guse

Acting 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.

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.

Help Needed

Our Reading Room needs help changing students daily readers.

Please call **89813211** and let us know if you can spare some time to help our school reading program.



Proud Sponsor of
Larrakeyah Primary School.

Lost property

The Lost and Found box is overflowing, If you have lost lunch boxes or water bottles, jackets and hats please come have a look.



Dates to Remember

Monday 11th—Thursday 21st November

4M, 4/5S, 5K, 5/6S, 6M, 6S Swimming Lessons.

Friday 15th November

Early Childhood Assembly
(Hosted by 1 C).

Friday 22nd November

Whole School Assembly
(Hosted by 3 P).

Tuesday 26th November

Singapore Study Tour 2020– Parent Meeting.

Friday 29th November

- Christmas Dress Up Day.
- School Captain Election.

Tuesday 3rd December

Volunteers Morning Tea.

Thursday 5th December

Whole School STEAM Day.

Friday 6th December

- Early Childhood Assembly
(Hosted by T J).
- House and Vice Captain Elections.

Tuesday 10th December

Year 6 Graduation.

Wednesday 11th December

- End of year awards.
- Meet the Teacher.
- SLT Elections.

Thursday 12th December

- Final School Assembly– Year 6.
- End of Term 4.

Enrolment at Larrakeyah Primary School in 2020

Please complete if your child/children **will not be** (other than year 6 students) attending Larrakeyah Primary School in 2020.

Return to the office by hard copy or email,
larrakeyah.admin@ntschoos.net as soon as possible.

My child /children **will not be** attending Larrakeyah Primary School in 2020.

<i>Names of child/children</i>	<i>Current Year Level/s</i>	<i>Destination</i>

Parent Name:

Parent Signature:



Level 10

Ratri Sekarsari

Level 20

Aydin
Chamadia
Ethan Avula
Safari Denson

READING AWARDS

Lexile

Aarush Ghimire
Liam Turner
Mitchell
Stramare
Pratistha
Lamichhane
Zara Jain

Iseyah Keating
Jason Yu
Reef Sattler
Star Councillor
Sajana
Nakandage
Athelo Esquibel
Airah Nauman

Mollie Athanitis
Elizebeth Tsirbas

Defence School Mentor

Thanks to the support of our school community we have held yet again another memorable Remembrance Day Assembly. Two of our Dad's volunteered: Lieutenant Colonel Sam Pickering was our guest speaker and Leading Seaman Troy Wenman oversaw the flag raising by his sons Aiden and Christian. Our School Captains Skipp and Shiva hosted the assembly, with many Defence students laying their class wreath. The assembly was completed with the personal speeches from some of our year 6 students; Zek Pickering, William Wenman and Arabella McKay. Thank you to all those that were able to come along to share and build a memory with their child. I hope to email photos of wreath layers soon. I am already looking for volunteers for ANZAC Day 2020, if you are interested I'd like to hear from you.

Congratulations to Mrs Matthews' year 4 class who proudly and creatively made the 5 giant Remembrance Day posters of The Ode displayed on the wall of our school. Great job!

Defence School Mentor Events coming up:

Week 7- Pizza Farewell Lunch (permission notes to be emailed)

Week 8- Parent Farewell cuppa time

Defence Kids Club - this week we started the Hermit Crab program with crab colouring in and using the pogo stick. Next week we continue with Hermit Crab Racing and making hermit crabs. With many students leaving we talk about being a hermit crab moving from beach to beach and what special things we need to pack in our shell focusing on **Resilience** (things don't always go our way so we have to keep trying), **Courage** (new things sometimes makes us nervous) and a big **Smile** (so other hermit crabs know how awesome we are).

Recently a few ADF students recently received medallions from their families to celebrate perseverance on the home front during times of parental deployments. Military Kids Recognition medallions can be purchased from <https://www.opptsd.org.au/shop> if you would like assistance to present these at school then please contact me.

If you are leaving LPS please send in your blue school passport so it can be updated, those that don't have one will be issued with one. If your last day of school changes please let me know so I can make sure your child's mementos, photos, Defence Kid Family Tree leaf and any other friend activities are all done before they go. Remember to notify the school of your departure so all the required paperwork can be completed for transfer and enrolment finalisation to the new school. See advice and tips on the DCO website www.defence.gov.au/dco and this may also be useful <https://raisingchildren.net.au/>. Check out the www.defencecommunityhub.org.au for more info on your new location.

Larrakeyah Neighbourhood House is running some great events over the next month. To register, purchase tickets or for more info see www.larrakeyahhouse.com.au or Robertson Barracks Family Group Facebook page they have a new co-ordinator I hear.

Christmas Party – Christmas theme dress up at Darwin Ice Skating, Sunday 1 Dec. 3:30-5:30pm, \$10 p/child includes entry, skate/penguin hire, afternoon tea & treat.

Jodie Murdoch 89813211 jodie.murdoch@ntschoools.net

Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608



Larrakeyah Primary School

2019 Christmas Raffle

Donations Welcome (drop at front office)

Tickets: \$2 each or 3 for \$5

Tickets Due: Friday 6th December

Raffle Drawn: Wednesday 11th December



Vinnies Christmas Appeal- Giving Tree

This year Larrakeyah will be supporting the ABC Radio Darwin and Vinnies NT Christmas Appeal through their school gift tag initiative. Gift Tags have been sent home with the eldest in the family, or you can get one from the front office. We ask that you and your family support this appeal by providing a gift for a child between the ages of 2-17. All gifts must be delivered to the school before Thursday 28th November. There is a large bin in the office for gifts to be placed. Please attach the provided gift tag and leave a small message. The gifts will be placed in food hampers and delivered to families across the Top End.

Giving Tree- Gift ideas (Please leave gifts unwrapped)

- Books, CDs, DVDs
- Dolls, baby dolls, prams etc.
- Art and craft sets
- Board games & jigsaws
- Footballs, basketballs or soccer balls
- Tennis & cricket sets
- Lego kits (boys & girls)
- Movie tickets
- Gift vouchers & gift cards
- Toy cars, planes, trains
- Construction sets
- Makeup kits
- Back to school kits incl. stationery
- Jewellery and hair accessories





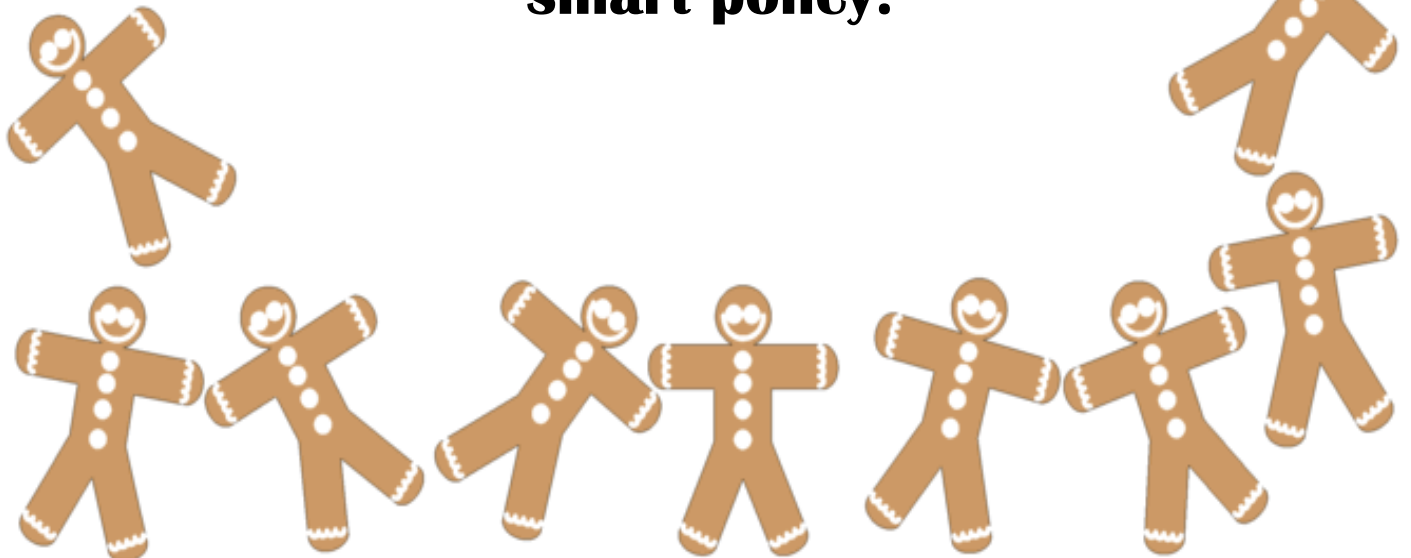
DRESS UP DAY!

**Come to school dressed in your
best Christmas costume!**

Friday 29th November

**Gold coin donation – all money
raised will be going to SLT
Fundraising.**

**Please note, all costumes must
comply with the school's sun
smart policy.**





HALLOWEEN





REMEMBRANCE DAY



Recycle With Us

Help us recycle plastic bottles, empty popper boxes (without the straws) and cans. The money raised will help our SLT (Student Leadership Team) purchase what is needed for our school.



ICE BLOCKS

For Sale

After School every Monday,
Wednesday and Friday.

\$1.00 each

Room 8- Ms Korfias's Class

All money raised will be going
towards SLT fundraising.