

Larrakeyah Primary School

Newsletter, Wednesday 27th November, Term 4

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many parent volunteers who assist in various ways. Time is precious and whether you have assisted as a member of the School Board, assisted in classrooms, listened to children read, attended camps/excursions, assisted with class/school programs, sports or school events, your time and support has been greatly appreciated. We are fortunate that we have wonderful support from parents in our school community.

We have commenced the process of organising classes for next year. When teachers organise classes, they consider various factors when placing students such as friendships, student ability, student behaviour and individual learning needs. A reminder to parents...If you have a particular request, such as siblings being in the same class, please contact your child's class teacher. Unfortunately, requests, such as requesting a particular teacher, cannot be considered. Draft class lists will be displayed on the office window in the afternoon on Tuesday 10th December. This list will be in draft as staff changes can occur prior to the commencement of the 2020 school year.

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.

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.

Dates to Remember

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.

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.



We love to showcase the Visible Learning, Math Focus and Writing Focus activities our students engage in every week. Now, we're featuring these articles on our website. To read the latest class updates, and access previous articles, visit our News section in the Website.

<https://larrakeyahprimary.com.au/blog>



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@ntschoools.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

Lucious Parsons

Baden Cameron

Sam Xie

Miranda Pollock

Radin Rajabipour

Serey Chenda

Aquil Nalukurthi

Jax Knight

Michael Baldry

Emily Emanuels
Gomez

READING AWARDS

Level 20

Amidala Macalintal

Gabriel Tomasi

Hunter Hart

Sammi Shrestha

William Knight

Ani Keating

Dakota Watson

Isabelle McCann

Lilly Edwards

Sadie Earley

Sarah Emanuels
Gomez

Saria Outa

Nathan Turner

Lexile

Theo Miaris

The Final Countdown!

This week we have been working hard to promote, educate and encourage students to use the compost bins and bring NUDE food to school in readiness for the week 8 weigh in. We have made special caps to go over the lid of the bins to remind students to use the compost bucket for food scraps not the black bins. 5 Korfias and 5/6 Spruhan have also made some very informative videos that show other children the environmental impact of food scraps in landfill and how to use the composting system at school. Over 50% of all landfill at Larrakeyah is food scraps. Hopefully all this effort will count for something next week when we complete our final rubbish audit for the school.



GREAT AIR RACE WORLD RECORD

Larrakeyah Primary School will be participating in the Darwin City Schools cluster attempt to get our own official world record. As part of the centenary of the Great Air Race (<https://www.greatairrace.com.au>) we are attempting to fold our way to the Guinness World Record of:

'Most people making paper aircrafts simultaneously'

This exciting event will occur this **Friday 29 November** between 8:45am and 9:00am in the assembly area. This will be overseen by representatives from NT Major Events and Guinness World Records. All students in Transition to Year 6 will be required to fold three paper planes in 15 minutes each, with older students welcome to help the younger students. Parents and teachers are not able to assist in any way on the day, however, we would encourage you to practise your paper plane folding at home with your child if you wish. We are confident that this record will be exceeded! If the record is broken participants on the day will be listed with Guinness World Records and receive an acknowledgement of this, as well as having their name listed in the NT News Commemorative Edition.

We welcome you to come along and join us in this record-breaking occasion.



Defence School Mentor



Defence Kids Club – last Wednesday about 30 kids came to the Hermit Crab races. All crabs were safely returned to their beach and they all proved that they carried Resilience, Courage and a big winning smile with them when they moved. Same as when we move to a new place/posting so the other hermit crabs get to know how



awesome we are. The children loved it and it was a fabulous fun way to display resilience, courage, determination and progress as well as sometimes needing a little bit of help and encouragement from people around you to get to where you need to go.

This week we have our Farewell Pizza Lunch, I have received 40 permissions if you haven't emailed yours do so now. For those students coming don't send lunch on Friday as there will be the pizza they ordered, frozen ice block and cold juice box and some Christmas fun. Last week we made our own Hermit Crab.

Farewell Cuppa & Cake is on **Friday 6 December 2019** at 8:30am in the staffroom. An opportunity for Defence parents to catch up, say goodbye, chat about your new locations, housing issues, new schools and the Education Assistance Scheme – Tuition, where eligible families can receive up to 14 weeks of tutoring costs reimbursed within the first 18 months of their new posting to help reduce the educational difficulties of changing schools and curriculums. Application information can be found on the DCO website www.defence.gov.au/dco and submitted for approval to the Defence Family Helpline. A useful link to your new posting location <https://www.defencecommunityhub.org.au/> or contact the Helpline and request local information or DCO support. 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 may also be useful <https://raisingchildren.net.au/>

For families that have a parent away on deployment or absent for a long while contact the Defence Family Helpline **1800 624 608** and register for Absent Partner Support and request a bear and book pack for the kids. The new bears are small and cute and will be a great cuddle partner for those challenging times or can be sent with the parent to use while away as they can report on the bears adventures back to the family. Emails and photos can be done between student and parent from my office as Deployment Support. If you are wanting to acknowledge your child's 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.

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 attached 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





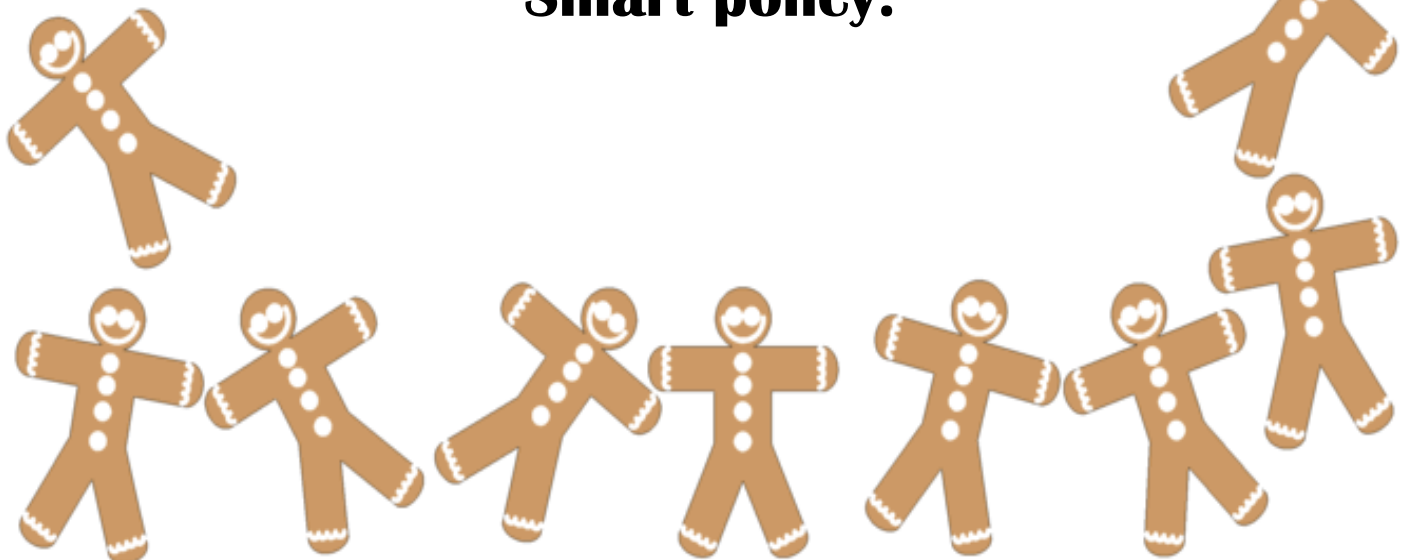
DRESS UP DAY!

**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.**



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 Korfiyas' Class

All money raised will be going
towards SLT fundraising.