



Larrakeyah Primary School

Newsletter, Wednesday 19th June, Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are coming close to the end of a very busy Semester 1 but there are still some exciting events to happen in the next 9 days before staff and students take a well-earned break

Today was the first day of the School Athletic Sports and it was great to see all the students from Years 3 – 6 out there running, jumping and throwing. Tomorrow it will be the turn of the Early Childhood students to have some fun and display their athletic prowess in a number of fun athletic events. Finally on Friday it will be the whole School Sports day with the running events happening. I know the students look forward to the fun and competition of the Athletic Sports days and they have been preparing their House chants and getting their red, green, blue or yellow outfits ready. There is also a lot of excitement and competition amongst the teachers too, so be prepared to see some interesting outfits. Parents are more than welcome to come along and cheer on your sons and daughters and I look forward to seeing you there. Many thanks to Bradley King and Emily Tutty for the time put into preparing the students and organising the sports.

Next Monday the Year 5 students will be heading off for their 4 day/3 night camp to the Environmental Education Campground in Litchfield National Park. Camps are one of the highlights of a student's time at Primary school and something they remember and talk about for years after. The camp program provides children with valuable social and physical experiences to develop initiative, independence, self-confidence, co-operation and personal achievement. This camp is in Litchfield National Park very close to Buley Rockhole and Florence Falls. A big thank you to the class teachers - Ellis Smart, Carmel Spruhan, Nidia Korfias and Bradley King - for all their organisation and preparedness to spend time away from their own families to give the students an unforgettable experience.

Last week Larrakeyah Primary hosted a film crew from Darwin's sister-city in China, Haikou. This year is the 30th Anniversary of this relationship and the Haikou Television company are here to film a number of events and sights around Darwin which will be shown on television in China. The Chinese program we run at Larrakeyah School is well respected and the film crew were here to film students taking part in a Chinese lesson and demonstrating their prowess in Mandarin. Thank you to Ms Korfias and the students in 5K for taking part.

Student reports will be sent home on Wednesday next week (Week 10). With the Australian Curriculum, all students' achievement is assessed and reported using the same standards. Students receive a report that reflects achievement standards for a specific year level.

I wish students and staff an enjoyable and safe semester break. Students will resume on Tuesday 23rd July.

Rick Collister
Acting Principal



Pathways To Excellence

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.

Dates to Remember



Wednesday 19th June– Sports Day
Middle/ Upper Primary.

Thursday 20th June– Sports Day Early
Childhood.

Friday 21st June– Sports Day Running
Races.

Monday 24th - Thursday 27th June– Year
5 Camp Litchfield.

Friday 28th June– End Term 2.

Tuesday 23rd July– Commence Term 3

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.

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.

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Online applications for urban sport vouchers

Physical \$100 sport vouchers are no longer being issued through schools. From the beginning of each school semester, parents or carers must apply online for each child.





Year 3 Camp – Territory Wildlife Park

During Week 7, the Year 3 students went on our overnight camp to the Territory Wildlife Park. The students had the big responsibility of setting up their own tents for the night. They were all so excited. We spent our first day exploring the Wildlife Park and seeing lots of native Australian animals along the way. The students were very helpful during meal times, where duty groups were in charge of cleaning up – also a big thank you to our amazing parent helpers! We settled in to watch 'The Lorax' and lights were out by 9:00pm. Day two consisted of packing up and more exploring of the park.

Here's some wonderful things the students wrote about their time on camp –


Griffin – *"The bus ride to camp was long but totally worth it!!"*

Lily – *"The first thing we did was go to the bird show. The bird show was amazing! Then we went to the aquarium, it was beautiful!"*

Molly – *"My favourite thing that we went to on camp was the walk through aviaries."*

Jack – *"At camp we had a fantastic time, we ran down a giant hill a lot."*





ICE BLOCKS

For Sale

After School every Monday,
Wednesday and Friday.

\$1.00 each

Room 8- Ms Korfiias's Class

All money raised will be going
towards SLT fundraising.



Defence School Mentor

Yesterday and today we had over 40 Defence students attend our annual Teddy Bear Picnic. Lots of fun and sweetness was had. It was super busy and loud but the room was filled with excitement, dancing, laughter, with icing and sprinkles everywhere. Many children brought their Absent from Home Bear and discussed when their Mum or Dad went away, majority of them having someone going away or already away now. If you would like Absent Partner Support or a Bear and Book pack contact the Defence Family Helpline 1800 624608. Photos are the older students more to come.

We bid farewell to the Hudson family and wish them well in their new posting. If any families are posting out prior to the end of year, please let me know so students can do activities to help with the transition and mementos to keep those good memories made while part of the Larrakeyah Primary School Community.

The latest edition of the Top Ender has just come out, so check it out. It is created by Defence Families for Defence Families so is full of interesting stuff. From poisonous plants to what's on. If you aren't on the mailing list contact thetopender@aapt.net.au to receive your copy or volunteer to help with the monthly magazine packing.

Don't miss out on the fun Larrakeyah Neighbourhood House events this month:

22 June 3:30pm Toy Story 4 screening @ Event Cinemas Casuarina

28 June 5pm-7pm Schools Out Pizza Party for 5-14y/o @ LNH follow on Facebook for more events

DCO Darwin will be running a couple of children's holiday activities too, so keep an eye on their website or FB page or Eventbrite.

Have your say – 2019 ADF Families Survey is open now. Tell Defence about your experiences in the ADF Families Survey, online from 3 to 21 June 2019: www.defence.gov.au/dco or www.dfa.org.au

Remember cheer loud for your team on Friday! Go Leichhardt!

Jodie Murdoch - DSM 89813211 jodie.murdoch@ntschoools.net Defence Family Helpline 1800 624608





When: Wednesday 26th June 2019!

What: Please bring a lunch box to school that has **ZERO** plastic wrappers!
The best nude food is healthy snacks like fruits and veggies!

Where: Larrakeyah Primary School!

Together we can make a difference!

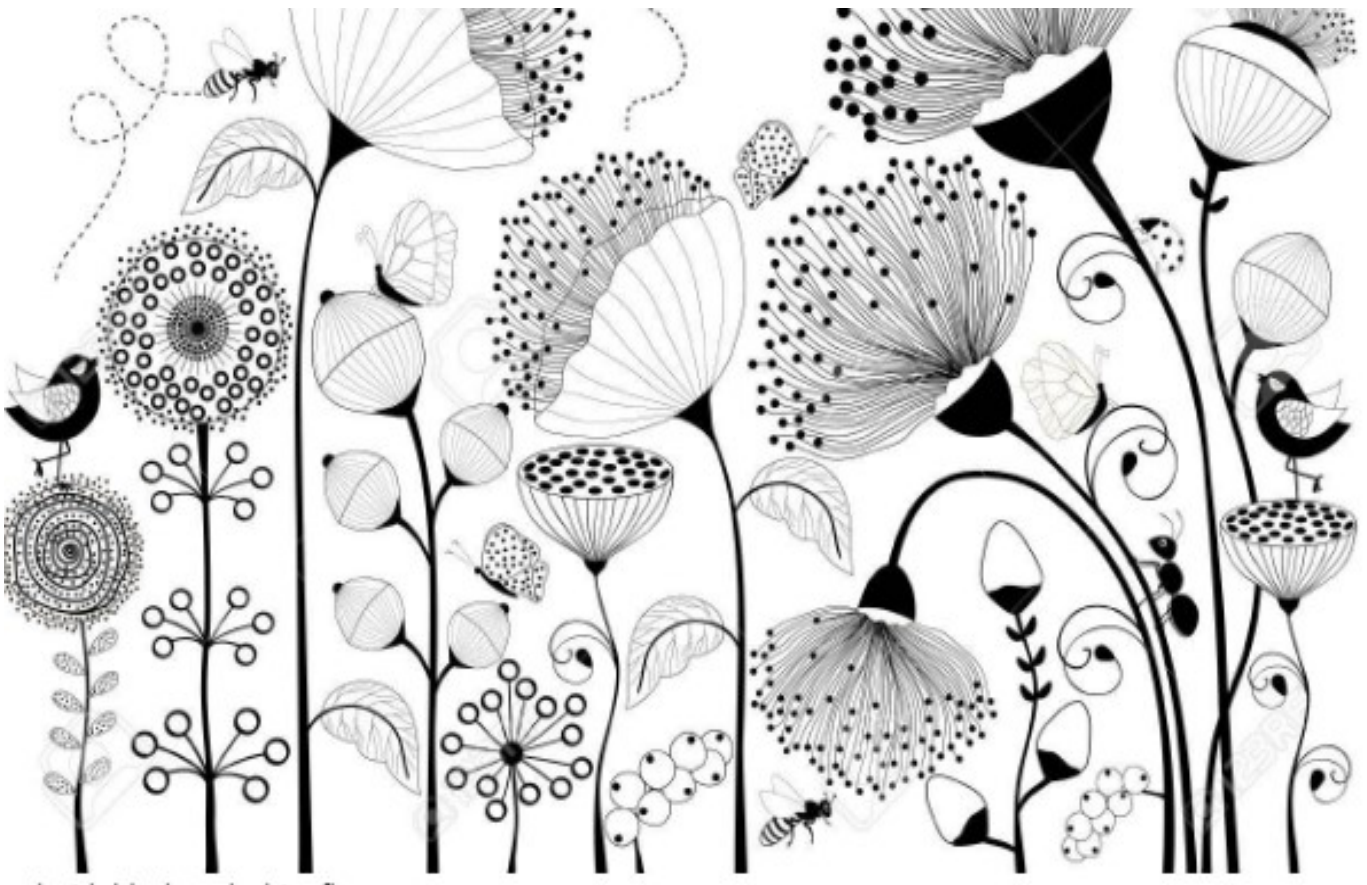


A Passion for Life!

It has come to the end of our Cooking and Gardening program for Term 2. We have learned so much about Sustainable lifestyles and we want to share some of our passion with you in this newsletter.

In week 1 we did an Audit of the waste that goes into the black bins at school just as year 4 did before us. We were hoping to find some improvement with the implementation of the composting system but sadly there was little if no improvement.

The fact that there is so much rubbish including plastic in the world at present is utterly despicable and we are at fault, if we do not act NOW we might as well vanish from the face of the planet Earth. We talk, talk and talk about pollution but we do absolutely nothing about it. The environment is being devastated but we still use soft plastic and litter.





We been exploring alternatives to using soft plastic such as beeswax wraps, reusable containers and more naked food! Beeswax wraps are healthier and cleaner, they are made out of 100% cotton and can be used over and over again. The beeswax has antibacterial properties that help to keep your food fresh!

On the Friday of Sports Carnival we will be selling the beeswax wraps we have made for \$3 each. Please come along to support the environment and raise money for our Cooking and Gardening program.

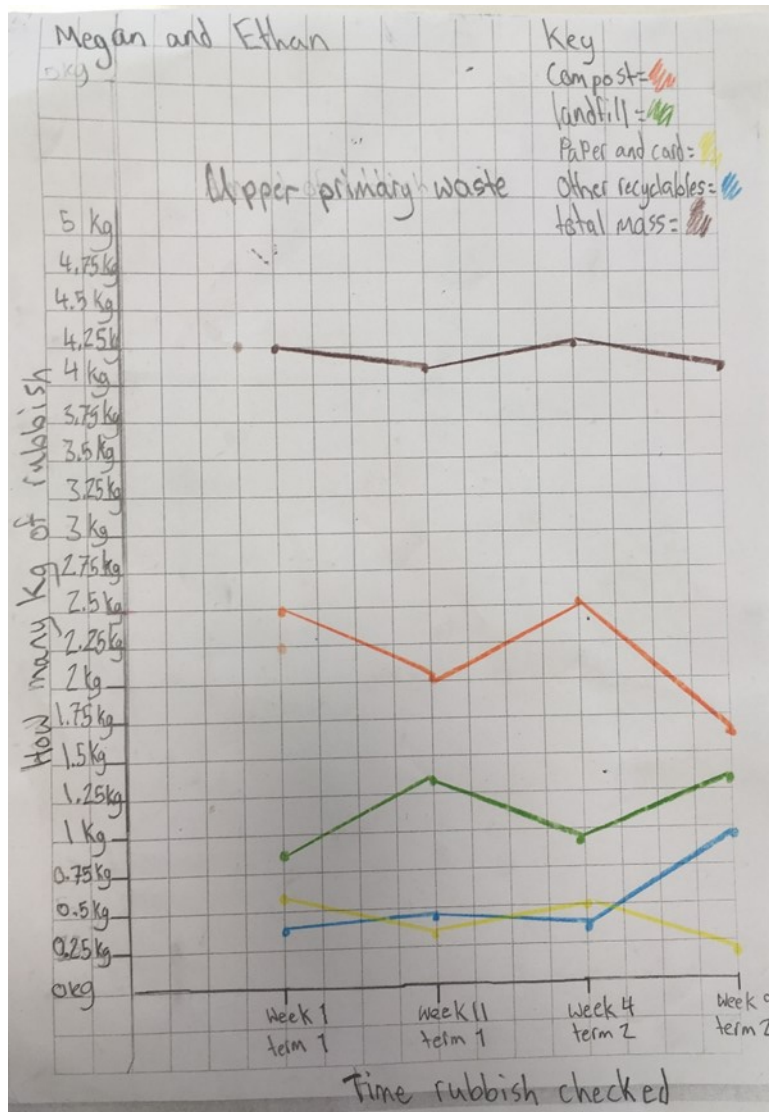
The second part of our plan is to have a naked lunch on Wednesday 26th June in the final week of this term. Please have a go at preparing a lunch box with your child that is completely soft plastic free. Have a look at the photo below for an example. We will be doing one final rubbish audit to see if it makes any difference.



6M completed a rubbish audit this week to see if we are making any progress with our goal. The amount of compost has reduced slightly which is encouraging but sadly the total mass of landfill has changed very little. Have a look at the graph two of the students produced during our data analysis lesson.

We will keep on striving, together we can make a difference! REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE!

Yours sincerely Year 6 Searl and Year 6 Marschall.



Athletics Carnival

Great
GOYder

2019

Wicked
Wickham

Leichhardt
Legends

Courageous
King

Middle and Upper Primary:

Wednesday 19th of June 8.30am - 12.45pm

Early Childhood:

Thursday 20th of June 8.30am - 12.00pm

Whole School:

Friday 21st of June 8.30am - 12.45 pm

Stay Hydrated!

Make sure you bring a labelled water bottle and drink water throughout the day to stay hydrated and healthy to help you team win!

Be Sun Smart!

Please remember to wear sun smart clothes and to apply sunscreen from home.



Wristbands \$2

House Wristbands will be available to purchase for \$2 every day in Week 8 and 9 from the Reading Room between 2:45 - 3:00pm.

Parents are more than welcome to attend as spectators throughout the carnival, bring a chair or blanket and make it a day!

2019 Athletics Carnival Program

Wednesday: 19/06/18:		Thursday: 20/06/18		Friday: 21/06/18	
8:15am	Mark Roll, Message Bag, Lunch Orders				
8:30am	Middle and Upper Primary Events on the Oval: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800m races • Field events: Shotput, Discus, High Jump, Long Jump 	8:30am	Early Childhood Tabloids on the Oval: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabloids: Sling Throw, Long Jump, Bulls Eye, High Jump, Slalom Relay, Shot Put, Over Under, Sack Relay 	8:30am	Whole School Running Events on the Oval: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marches • Chants • Middle and Upper Primary - 200m Heats and Finals • E.C. and Preschool races
10:15am	Recess	10:15am	Recess	10:15am	Recess
10:45am	Middle and Upper Primary Events on the Oval: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 800m races • Field events: Shotput, Discus, High Jump, Long Jump 	10:45am	Early Childhood Tabloids on the Oval: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabloids: Sling Throw, Long Jump, Bulls Eye, High Jump, Slalom Relay, Shot Put, Over Under, Sack Relay 		Whole School Running Events on the Oval: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Middle and Upper Primary - 100m Heats and Finals
12:45pm	Lunch	12:45pm	Lunch	12:45pm	Lunch
1:30pm	Return to Class	1:30pm	Return to Class	1:30pm	Oval: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Announce Winning House of Sports Carnival

General Information

What do students need?

- House colours - come dressed in appropriate house coloured clothes for the day
- Running shoes
- Labelled hat
- Sun Smart Clothes (no singlets)
- Labelled water bottles
- Plenty of health snacks to keep you going.

The canteen will be open at recess and lunchtimes on all Sports Days!

Be Sun Smart!
There will be sun screen for you to use at school but be extra prepared and on sunscreen before school. Remember to wear sun smart clothes.

There will be a BBQ, Drinks and Cake Sale Fundraiser on Friday the 21st of June in the Upper Primary Undercover Area.

Note for parents:

When your child's year group is not out at events a normal class program will be run.

Extra Information:

1. Our school sports day is a whole school event and the focus is on participation and enjoyment. Everyone should be encouraging this by cheering their classmates, friends, children and house mates on.
2. Students run in ages according to what they are at the end of the year. That means they may be competing with students in other year groups.
3. Ribbons will be given out for 1-4 of each running heat (100m and 200m) as well as finals. It is the top times to get into the finals – not placing from heats.
4. Ribbons will be given out for 1-4 for Middle/Upper field events.
5. Ribbons will be given out 1-4 for 800m races (there are no heats).



LARRAKEYAH SPORTS DAY

COFFEE	\$2.00
TEA	\$2.00
VANILLA SLICE	\$4.00
BISCUIT CAKE	\$4.00



THANK YOU

Friday Sports Day
Barbeque
21st June

Sausage \$2.00

Honey Soy Chicken Skewers
\$2.50

Drinks

Water \$2.00

Fruit Poppers \$2.50

Chinese Dumpling

Making



As part of our ongoing partnership with Darwin Middle School, our Year 6 students had the opportunity to visit their kitchen.

Our students were immersed in a Chinese Dumpling Making session, under the watchful eye of DMS Chinese teacher Yawei Song.

The Year 6 students were joined by a Year 7 Chinese class who joined in on the fun. Students were excited to see a few old faces of ex-Larrakeyah Primary students. We look forward to Term 3 when DMS Chinese classes will visit us.



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines (2019)*.

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the Learning Support Coordinator.

Kind regards,

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