



LARRAKEYAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,
On Thursday 11th March we have our School Board AGM at 5pm in the library. The School Board consists of parent members and teacher representatives. The School Board focuses on the school's strategic direction and works in partnership with the school in improving outcomes for students. There are also several committees in which parents can become involved as well. Currently, there are two vacancies for parent members on the 2021 School Board. Information regarding the School Board is on the school website <https://larrakeyahprimary.com.au/about/the-school-board/>

Interested parents are requested to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) addressed to the Principal. The EOI should include a brief statement about the candidate's interest in joining the School Board and include an outline of their skills and experience. EOIs can be delivered via the front office or by email to fathma.mauger@education.nt.gov.au by Friday 5th March. Please note, there is also mandatory training

provided by COGSO for interested and continuing Board members on Tuesday 9th March 4.00pm-5.00pm in the library.

If you would like to assist on a committee, for example, the Fundraising Committee, but are not interested in becoming a member of the Board, please let us know as your help and support would be very much appreciated.

The wearing of school uniform is compulsory in all government schools. Please ensure that your child wears their full uniform to school every day and that you are aware of the school uniform policy. Please have a read on the school website www.schools.nt.edu.au/larrakeyah. If students are wearing leggings, long pants or jumpers in the cooler weather, it is recommended that these are navy blue or black. We also have a school jacket that can be purchased.

Many parents attended the 3-Way Conferences (either by phone, online or in person) that were held over two afternoons this week.



The partnership between home and school is very important. If you were unable to make a time this week, please feel free to contact your child's class teacher to arrange a time at a later date.

Amanda Hotham, NT Manager Qube Energy, has now introduced "The Qube Energy Lighthouse Program" at Larrakeyah Primary School. The school is trialling this program which is designed to help bridge the gap and offer Indigenous students and families the chance to participate in school based Extra Curricular Activities. This is an opportunity to assist Indigenous children to enjoy a full school experience, enabling them to become more aware of their own abilities, expand friendships, and grow their confidence. Many thanks to Qube Energy for this excellent program and continued sponsorship.

We look forward to seeing you all at the school board AGM next Thursday afternoon (Thursday 11th March) 5pm in the library.

Regards,
Fathma Mauger
Principal



Our Ambition: Every child in the Northern Territory has the best start in life and, through early learning and school education, gains a bright future.



We are proud to be part of the world's largest international community of schools.



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.

The community of Larrakeyah Primary School acknowledges and pays respect to the Traditional Custodians of the land on which it is based, the Larrakia People, and pays respect to the Elders—past present and emerging

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.

Proud Sponsor of

Larrakeyah Primary School.



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>



DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 5th March

Early Childhood Assembly.

Thursday 11th March

School Board AGM.

Friday 12th March

Middle/ Upper Primary Assembly.

Wednesday 17th March

AFL GALA Day.

Thursday 18th March

Harmony Day.

Tuesday 23rd March

Parliament House Excursion
(5's from 4/5 B, 5K & 5/6MS).

Wednesday 24th March

Parliament House Excursion
(5S, 6S & 6P).

Friday 26th March

Early Childhood Assembly.

Friday 2nd April

Public Holiday– Good Friday.

Monday 5th April

Public Holiday– Easter Monday.

Friday 9th April

Middle/ Upper Primary Assembly.

Friday 9th April

End of Term 1.



Qube Sponsorship



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Oral Health Service for School Aged Children



All children in the Northern Territory, aged 0-18 years, with a current Medicare card and still at school, are eligible for free dental services through Top End Oral Health Service.

Your children can visit any of our 12 school-based dental clinics in the Darwin region from age 0 until they finish primary school (year six).

Once your child starts year seven they must be seen at one of the community dental clinics (Darwin, Palmerston).

Please contact us on 08 8922 6466 to make an appointment.

READING AWARDS

Lexile

Isabelle McCann

Saria Outa

Amelie Coleman

Dakota Watson

Halle Smallridge

Nathan Turner





HARMONY DAY

This year Larrakeyah Primary School is celebrating Harmony Day on **Thursday 18th of March** in a variety of ways, which are listed below. Rotational activities from 1.40pm– 2.20pm.

Teachers have organised cultural activities and events for the students across all year levels. Students will be allowed to travel around the school participating in the activities of their choice in this time.

All students are encouraged to wear a traditional culture's clothing or orange clothes, as orange is the recognised colour for Harmony. Please remember that in alignment with our Sun Smart Policy, singlets, spaghetti straps or strapless clothing must not be worn.

Unfortunately due to COVID 19 restrictions, parents and guardians will not be able to attend Harmony Day at Larrakeyah Primary School.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions or concerns please contact your classroom teacher.

Defence School Mentor

We have been busy at Defence Kids Club making paper planes to mark the 79th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin. Ethan S's plane flew the furthest and Brandon H's design came second. Last week we looked at local, Australia and world maps to discuss how Defence families travel and move around, creating some challenges but many adventures and new friends.

Last Friday was our DSM Welcome Cuppa & Cake. Thank you to those that were able to make it. Hope you enjoyed the opportunity to meet our Principal and Assistant Principals, Annick our REDLO from DCO and Charne from Larrakeyah Neighbourhood House and have had some of your questions answered while meeting new people.

We are nearly half way into Term 1 so this week are 3-way conferences with your child's teacher. Please be aware that DCO has a range of financial support available to help members pay for some additional education costs for their children caused by a posting. Including assistance with the cost of tutoring to help overcome immediate educational difficulties experienced from changing schools. Eligibility is only within the first 18 months of your posting. For more information please see the DCO website www.defence.gov.au/dco or [Education-assistance-tutor.pdf \(defence.gov.au\)](#) or contact the Defence Family Helpline 1800 624608. To apply for tutoring support, you will be required to provide appropriate supporting evidence as detailed in the application forms AD301 and AD301.1 Application for Education Assistance – School Students at the Gaining Location.

I know it seems early but this year we will be having our ANZAC Day Assembly at Larrakeyah on Friday the 23 April 2021 (week 1 Term 2). Therefore, we are seeking a Defence parent guest speaker, reader of the Ode and a flag raiser. If you would like to volunteer for any of these roles please contact me. We appreciate the importance of parental participation as it makes the event unique to have our students special Defence members and veterans involved.

Jodie Murdoch- DSM

jodie.murdoch@education.nt.gov.au

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Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608



MINECRAFT

School Holiday Camps

April School Holidays

\$135 per camp

12th & 13th APRIL 2021

14th & 15th APRIL 2021

Do you enjoy playing Minecraft? Do you like learning in fun ways? If your answer is yes and you are in **Grade 3, 4, 5 or 6** then come join us in the school holidays for a 2day camp. No Minecraft experience necessary!

Venue: MALAK PRIMARY SCHOOL

8:30am -2:00pm

Camps are designed to:

- *encourage collaboration
- *develop social and communication skills
- *engage kids in group problem solving environments
- *be enormous fun
- *be structured and offer Minecraft and real-life learning opportunities

As we have a limited number of places, please book your child's place to avoid disappointment. Bookings to be made via website only not through Malak School.

<https://www.wicksees.com.au/book-online>

Call Daniel 0412 144 404 for any questions

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UPCOMING DARWIN REGION SPORT EDUCATION SELECTION TRIALS TERM 1, 2021

For further information please contact the Sport Education Coordinator. Trial permission forms can be downloaded from the School Sport NT website or from your in school representative.

12 YEARS & UNDER TOUCH FOOTBALL

DAY	DATE	TIME	VENUE
THURSDAY	4TH MARCH	3.30–5.00pm	Territory Rugby League Stadium, Marrara
FRIDAY	5TH MARCH		

12 YEARS & UNDER AFL

DAY	DATE	TIME	VENUE
TUESDAY	23RD MARCH	3.30–5.00pm	Sanderson Middle School Oval
WEDNESDAY	24TH MARCH		
THURSDAY	25TH MARCH		

12 YEARS & UNDER TENNIS

DAY	DATE	TIME	VENUE
FRIDAY	26TH MARCH	3.30–5.00pm	Gardens Tennis Centre
SATURDAY	27TH MARCH	8.30–10.00am	DITC, Marrara



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