

# LARRAKEYAH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We have many excited Year 5 and 6 students commencing our QUEST program. QUEST is an innovative program that we developed and introduced several years ago and is aimed to connect and inspire. The program brings real life contexts to the modern day classroom by using industry professionals and 21st learning skills (creativity, critical thinking, collaboration and communication) through project based inquiry learning. Teachers have been organising, planning and preparing for this exciting program so that students can select their area of interest from various projects. Following the implementation of the program, there will be a QUEST showcase of learning.

This year, the school has been

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shortlisted as one of the finalist top 10 schools in the category "Supporting Healthy Lives" in the World's Best School Prizes. This is in recognition of the school's wellbeing programs and the QUEST program is highlighted. This week there has been some filming for the World's Best School Prizes by T4 Education and the auestion asked of students is Why is Larrakeyah a great primary school? It has been lovely to listen to their answers - we have an inclusive environment, the school gives students many different opportunities, it is a positive and friendly environment, everyone supports each other, we are a school of high standards and we have great teachers.

This week we say farewell to our ICT specialist teacher, Eilis Smart.

Eilis will be moving to Groote Eylandt with her husband. Staff and students will certainly miss her enthusiasm, passion for digital technologies and her excellent skills in this area. We wish her all the best.

Parent/teacher/student 3-way conferences will be held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August and Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August. The relationship between home and school is very important. It is also important for parents to speak with teachers regarding their child's progress. We have an online booking system. School interview booking information will be sent home soon.

Regards, Fathma Mauger Principal

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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.

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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

# School Hours and

## **Supervision**

Preschool: 08:00 AM - 2:00 PM Front Office: 08:00 AM - 3:30 PM Primary School: 08:15 AM - 2:45 PM

#### Supervision is provided

before school (8:00 AM - 8:15 AM) and

after school (2:45 PM - 3:00 PM).



#### Larrakeyah Primary uses SkoolBag App to keep families up to date

We ask that all families download the app as this is our primary means of communication.

> Available from Apple App store or Google Play store



Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August M/U Assembly

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> August Kadul with Ryka Performance

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August AFL Gala Day

> Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August EC Assembly Hockey Gala Day

> Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August M/U Assembly

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August Book Week Dress Up

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Aug - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September Father's Day Stall

#### **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 through Skool Bag App.

We love to showcase the Visible Learning and Mathematics and Writing Focus activities our students engage in every week. 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

## **Defence School Mentor**

At Defence Kids Club on Tuesday the theme was the Commonwealth Games, we had some fun races and made medals. We talked about Aussie cyclist Matthew Glaetzer winning gold, and even after his fall and a broken bike his resilience shone. Just like being a Defence Kid, things don't always go the way we want and it is ok to find it hard, frustrating, scary or a bit sad, but if we can be a little brave and try again then we will always be a winner and deserve our own gold medal.

There are military exercises taking place and more to come, so if your family has a parent away (or about to go away) please let me know so your child's teacher and myself can provide extra support and activities during the times of absence. Also, if there are changes to your child's circumstances please share with your teacher as these can also sometimes effect your child's behaviours in class and at school. The DMFS website also has advice on parental absence and support. <u>Home : Defence Member and Family Support : Department of Defence</u>

Defence families can join the DMFS team and a Top End Stargazer who will unlock the secrets of the universe and explain what we see above us as the sun sets and the stars fill the sky. An opportunity to get up close with telescopic lenses. Picnic from 6:30pm, stargazing from 7.00 to 8.30pm. Children must be supervised at all times. Tickets are limited so be sure to register. Registration closes on Wednesday 10 August 2022 <u>An ADF families event: Sunset and stargazing in the Top End, Darwin Tickets, Wed 17/08/2022 at 6:30 pm |</u> <u>Eventbrite</u>

A great parenting site is <u>www.raisingchildren.net.au</u> if you have not already used it, check it out. It provides ad-free parenting videos, articles and apps backed by Australian experts and funded by the Australian Government. Raisingchildren.net.au provides free, reliable, up-to-date and independent information to help your family grow and thrive together with the answers to hundreds of parenting questions, where and when you need them.

Jodie Murdoch DSM

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Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608

### **Cooking and Gardening**

During gardening this week students have been exploring the role of compost in a healthy garden ecosystem and the ways we can encourage decomposers in our compost by layering browns (such as cardboard, dried leaves, sticks and dried grass) with greens (such as food scraps and fresh grass). Throughout this term we have been exploring companion planting and the ways some plants in the garden support each other to grow. Students have been busy harvesting our eggplant and cucumber crops and will soon be ready to pick our delicious cherry tomatoes.







# **Reading Awards**

### Term 3 Week 2

# **Early Childhood**

### Level 10

Zella

T/1 Dawson

### Lachlan Gilmore T/1 Dawson





#### Help Needed

Can you spare 1 hour in the morning to help change student's daily

PM Readers?

Please call **89813211** or come and see The Reading Lady



#### **Items and Valuables at School**

Please note that it is advised that students <u>are not</u>sent to school with toys or valuable items, including smart watches, as they can become lost and/or damaged.

Students will have full responsibility of the items or valuables and the school accepts no responsibility in the event an item or valuable is lost or damaged.



### **Preschool Enrolments for 2023**

If you reside in our catchment area and your child will be 4 by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023, you are invited to submit an enrolment for Preschool 2023.

Please ensure you bring your child's birth certificate/passport, immunization records, lease papers or rates notice, latest power bill and visa papers if applicable.

Enrolments are as per the policy on the Larrakeyah Primary School website

**Preschool Enrolment Policy** 





# SLT PRESENTS

Father's Day Stall

# WEEK 7 MONDAY TO FRIDAY BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL GIFTS FROM \$3 - \$10









# PROUD TO BE IN THE TOP 10 SHORTLIST FOR THE WORLD'S BEST SCHOOL PRIZES



DARWIN, NORTHERN TERRITORY

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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
- \*have enormous fun

\*Engage in 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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