



# LARRAKEYAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Last week the Year 6 students organised a Halloween disco which was well attended by parents and students. It was wonderful to see families enjoying the school community event. Thank you to the Year 6 teachers for the organisation and to the parents who assisted with the selling of food and drinks.

Sincere thanks to parent Rusha Harper-Ceylani for the Halloween props from All About Party Hire and who once again volunteered these as well as time in setting up for the disco.

Sincere thanks to another parent, Braedon Earley, who spent his time and cost to undertake mosquito fogging at the school on the weekend. This has been a great benefit to our school community. We are most fortunate and appreciative to have parents who volunteer their support to the school in time of need.

A reminder...the concert video of "A

Night At The Oscars" is now ready to be purchased. Please see the link below -

<https://larrakeyah.myshopify.com/>

For the privacy of our students the website is password locked. The password to access is **showtime**.

Included in your purchase is the event video split into four chapters for ease of download, as well as Images of the red carpet arrival, rehearsal and the production.

Please do not share the files to others who have not purchased their own copy as the revenue from this video will help support the school and our students in the next production.

Thank you to parents for completing the parent perception survey last term. We received 182 responses. This feedback is important for continuous improvement. These survey results are on the school website.

We will be commencing 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.

To assist with our preparation for 2025, it would be appreciated if you can complete the attached form if your child will not be returning to Larrakeyah Primary next year.

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.

A Northern Territory Government Independent Public School



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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.

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

# **Enrolment at Larrakeyah Primary School in 2025**

Please complete if your child/children **will not be** (other than year 6 students) attending Larrakeyah Primary School in 2025.

Return to the office by hard copy or email,

[larrakeyah.admin@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:larrakeyah.admin@education.nt.gov.au) as soon as possible.

My child /children **will not be** attending Larrakeyah Primary School in 2025.

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

Parent Name:

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Parent Signature:

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## 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).**

*The school has concern for student safety, hence the school's procedure is that parents are contacted after school if a student is not collected after the supervision time. Parents are also contacted in the morning if a student is arriving at school early.*

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

Early Childhood Assembly

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November**

Remembrance Day Assembly

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

Middle/Upper Assembly

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov**

Book Fair

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

Early Childhood Assembly

School Captain Elections

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

Middle/Upper Assembly

House Captain Election



**Larrakeyah Primary uses Audiri App to keep families up to date**

We ask that all families download the app. This is our primary means of communication keeping families up-to-date especially during an emergency

Available from Apple App store or Google Play store



## **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 Audiri App.

Tap on School logo then use EFORMS

**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>**

# Larrakeyah Primary gives my child opportunities to do interesting things.

Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

Answer online

<https://bit.ly/larrakeyah7>

Responses and comments are anonymous.



## Your opinion matters

Feedback helps us create a happy and successful school.

We use feedback to inform programmes, initiatives, and improvement plans.

## Reading offline?

Scan with your smartphone camera or QR code app.

## REMINDER TO PARENTS – NO RIGHT HAND TURN INTO THE SCHOOL

The City of Darwin have erected a sign prohibiting a 'Right Hand Turn' from Packard Street into the main school 'Kiss and Go' carpark. Please be advised parents need to abide by the road regulations.



# Defence School Mentor

hello!



**Remembrance Day** – Thank you to the kind volunteers who have been able to volunteer for our Remembrance Day Assembly next Monday. Captain Tristan Hedger is our Guest Speaker, Squadron Leader Larkings our Ode Reader and our flag raiser is WO2 Jason Leuken, with Able Seaman Robke singing the National Anthem. Thank you to the Defence community for your support making the assembly something special for our students and families to commemorate Remembrance Day 2024.

Everyone is welcome to join the Assembly on **Monday 11/11/24, 10:45am** (straight after recess) to commemorate together with your Larrakeyah community.

**Defence Kids Club** – camo poppies are this week's Defence Kids Club activity, made by the students so they can be worn next week. We will then start on farewell activities to help say goodbye to friends.

The weather is starting to ramp up, and aircon in classrooms struggle with weather fluctuations. If your child is complaining of being cold, please make sure they bring something warm to put on while in class. Make sure all clothing, hats, water bottles and lunch boxes come to school with your students name on. Please check the lost property box at the Admin side entrance as it is overflowing.

**Posting Out** – So many people posting out! If you haven't already, please email me your expected last day of school and where you are going, so I can start the farewell process for your child with support, activities, and mementos in the lead up to their relocation. DFMS advice on [Moving with children | ADF Members & Families | Defence](#) and [Changing schools | ADF Members & Families | Defence](#)

**Parent Away** – with the working year winding up, training, courses, and handovers there seems to be many parents super busy and away. Please let me or your teacher know when a parent is going away as it can allow us to support your child during this time.

**Legacy Bears for sale.** Scan the QR code to purchase your \$20 Bear to help support Legacy. Bears will be delivered to your child at school. There will also be Legacy items for purchase in the office prior to assembly.

Another great edition of **The Top Ender Magazine** has been published. If you haven't seen yours, see their website or read it online. It is full of great info and competitions. [The Top Ender Tri-Services Magazine | Community Organisation, Northern Territory \(thetopendermagazine.org.au\)](#)

Legacy Bear order Form 2024



Jodie Murdoch DSM [jodie.murdoch@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:jodie.murdoch@education.nt.gov.au) 89813211

**Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608**

# FIRST Lego League Challenge

Larrakeyah Primary School recently entered two teams of year 6 students in the Top End round of the FIRST Lego League Challenge. FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) helps to fund programs that engage students in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics). The Lego League Challenge is judged on four different areas

- Robot design.
- The robot game – a series of challenges to solve with a Lego robot in 2 ½ minutes.
- Innovation project – designing a solution to a problem related to the theme of the competition – this year's theme was Submerged, with a focus on the ocean.
- Core values – teamwork, discovery, inclusion, innovation, impact, and fun.

Both teams did well with their robot design and the robot game, bringing two trophies back to school.

Team Larrakeyah 1 won the Engineering Excellence Award which recognises efficient robot design, an innovative project solution, and evidence of the Core Values.

Team Larrakeyah 2 won the Robot Performance Award for scoring the most points during the robot game. They scored 150 points in the first round of the day, a score that remained unmatched throughout all 3 rounds of competition. The head referee commented that coming into the tournament, she thought that the benchmark score for the tournament would be about 150. This was because all the teams were rookie teams, so was impressed when our team had such a good run straight up. It was a reflection on the time they had spent meticulously coding and testing their robot in the lead up to the competition.

Whilst we didn't win the outright Champion's Award, the students should be extremely proud of what they have achieved in our first season of competition.





# Visible Learning in the Classroom

Math Focus

2/3 France and 3 Gaskin

ICT and Physical Education

Transition Motter and 2 Ross





Australian Government  
Department of Veterans' Affairs

# REMEMBRANCE DAY

11 NOVEMBER

Honouring the service and sacrifice  
of Australian veterans

Larrakeyah Primary School

Invites

ALL parents, carers, veterans and friends to join the students for the

## 2024 Remembrance Day Assembly

On: **Monday 11 November 2024**

At: **10:45am to 11:15am**

Where: **Undercover Assembly area**  
(facing the flagpole)



This year's Remembrance Day event will be hosted by our School Captains, Hallie and Nathan. Guest Speaker Captain Tristan Hedger; Reader of the Ode Squadron Leader Sam Larkings; and flag raisers Warrant Officer 2 Jason Leuken and children. Wreaths will be laid by each class and student speakers will share their personal reflection of the importance of Remembrance Day to them and their families.

Come along, share the commemoration with our students and place a poppy on our photo display to Remember!



Supporting our  
Veterans' Families



## Show your Support this Remembrance Day and buy a Legacy Bear or poppy.

Legacy has been around for over 100 years, assisting the families of bereaved fallen soldiers. Fundraising in the Northern Territory stays local and helps the families with an array of things such as necessary home maintenance, tuition fees for children and monthly lunches for socialisation.

If you'd wish to purchase a Legacy Bear, only \$20 please scan the QR Code below. Ordered bears will be delivered to the school for collection.

There will be fundraising items at the Front Office for purchase this Remembrance Day. All money goes to Legacy to help them continue to support local Veteran's Families.

Or for more information on Legacy  
<https://www.legacy.com.au/>

Legacy Bear order Form 2024





**WHEN:** Monday 18th to Friday 22nd  
November

**WHERE:** Larrakeyah Primary School  
Library

EVERY BOOK YOU BUY SUPPORTS OUR  
SCHOOL AND BRINGS MORE FREE BOOKS TO  
OUR LIBRARY!



## IS YOUR CHILD INTERESTED IN LEARNING A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT OR SINGING?

Enrolment applications are now open for new and continuing students in the NT Music School's 2025 Instrumental and Choir Program. Instrumental lessons are offered during school hours for students in Year 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 on flute, clarinet, saxophone, guitar, trumpet, trombone, bass guitar and percussion. Lessons are free with a \$100 contribution requested once placement in the program is confirmed. Instrument hire from \$100. Sports Vouchers accepted to assist with cost of hiring instruments.

Apply online now to secure your interest at  
**[www.ntms.net.au](http://www.ntms.net.au)**

**Applications close 1  
December 2024**

Should you require further assistance phone the NT  
Music School on **8963 5550**.





# EVERYONE CAN PLAY!

The Northern Territory Music School invites you to apply for your child's enrolment in our instrumental and choir programs for 2025.

## Who are we?

The NT Music School is a division of the NT Department of Education that offers instrumental, ensemble and choir tuition in government schools.

## What are the benefits?

Learning to play a musical instrument and singing in a choir can have both academic and social benefits, as well as being rewarding and enjoyable. We invite your child to begin their musical journey with us.

## How does it work?

Application to enrol is offered to students from Year 4 in primary school and to students in middle school. Students come out of class once a week for a 30 minute instrumental lesson with an NT Music School teacher. Students play and practise at home to learn instrument technique, music reading and performance skills. Our choir program is offered by audition. Successful students attend weekly choir rehearsals after school.

## What does the program offer?

Students can join a guitar ensemble or join our bass guitar, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, and percussion lessons. They will also have the opportunity to participate in school performances and access events such as the BEAT Festival!

## What will it cost?

Lessons are free. Once enrolment is confirmed, an annual contribution of \$100 is requested. Instruments can be hired for a semester from \$100. Sports Vouchers are accepted to assist with the cost of hiring instruments. Students are required to purchase a tutor book from \$25.

## How can I apply?

Head to the NT Music School website [www.ntms.net.au](http://www.ntms.net.au) for more information, and complete the online Application Form for the Instrument Program or the Choir Program.

**Applications close 1st December, 2024.**



# Bussy's Corner Hello Students and Families



**Be Kind and Respectful, don't be a Bully.**  
Bullies can get help. (Including ways to manage your stress and emotions)

why you should NOT BULLY

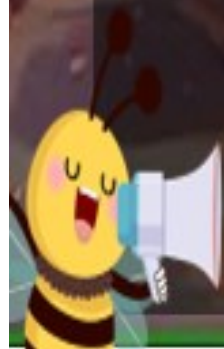
- Because it shows you are insecure.
- Because it is **WRONG** to pick on others who are different.
- Because you can control your behaviour.
- Stop and think what if it is you who is getting bullied.

**If you are being *bullied*, help is available. If you are *bullying* others, take the first step to stop it by getting help.**

Can parents/guardians please ensure that students understand their responsibilities as outlined in the *Code of Conduct for School Bus Travel*. Click on this link for the Code:

[https://mt.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0010/547624/code-of-conduct-for-school-bus-travel.pdf](https://mt.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0010/547624/code-of-conduct-for-school-bus-travel.pdf)

**Did You KNOW?**  
#406  
A chameleon's tongue is twice as long as its body.  
  
DidYouKnow.com



# SCHOOL BUS TRAVELLING ALERT



## School Bus Route 204b Darwin High School / Darwin Middle School / Larrakeyah Primary School Tuesday 8 October 2024

### What route is changing?

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Route 204b (afternoon service) will:

- rename to the route 209;
  - change the route of travel;
  - effective from Tuesday 8 October 2024;
  - **Route 204 remains unchanged in the morning and afternoon.**
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### What do students need to do?

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Route 204b (afternoon service) will be renamed to route 209 and the route of travel will be changed.

The route 209 will depart at Darwin Middle and High Schools and finish at Parap Road (bus stop 310) at 3:30pm via Larrakeyah Primary School.

Please see the map attached on this flyer.

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### Why are we changing?

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To improve the service and assist more students to go home from the schools.

For more information, please contact Public Transport on 8924 7297 or email: [public.transport@nt.gov.au](mailto:public.transport@nt.gov.au)

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# 209

## Darwin High / Middle School Bus Service

PM Service

209 Darwin Middle and High Schools and Larrakeyah Primary School to Stuart Park, Bayview and Parap

### Legend

- PM Bus Route
- Bus Stop
- 209 Route Number
- 🏫 School

North



School bus services operate in school terms only. Departure and arrival times are subject to traffic and weather conditions. Please ensure you arrive at the bus stop a few minutes early.

**Darwin Middle / High Schools**

209 departs at 2:37pm

**Parap Road (Bus stop 310)**

209 arrives at 3:30pm

**Larrakeyah Primary School**

209 arrives at 2:45pm



Students, Parents and Carers please ensure you have read and understand the Code of Conduct rules of behaviour. All Public Transport buses are equipped with closed circuit television systems (CCTV) to assist with anti social behaviour on buses.



For more information about services and the Code of Conduct please contact Public Transport on 8924 7666 or visit

[www.nt.gov.au/publictransport](http://www.nt.gov.au/publictransport)

**Darwin Interchange**

Base map Northern Territory Government ©

# 204

## Darwin High / Middle School Bus Service

### AM Service

204 Bayview to Darwin High School and Middle School

### PM Service

204 Darwin Middle School and High School to Bayview

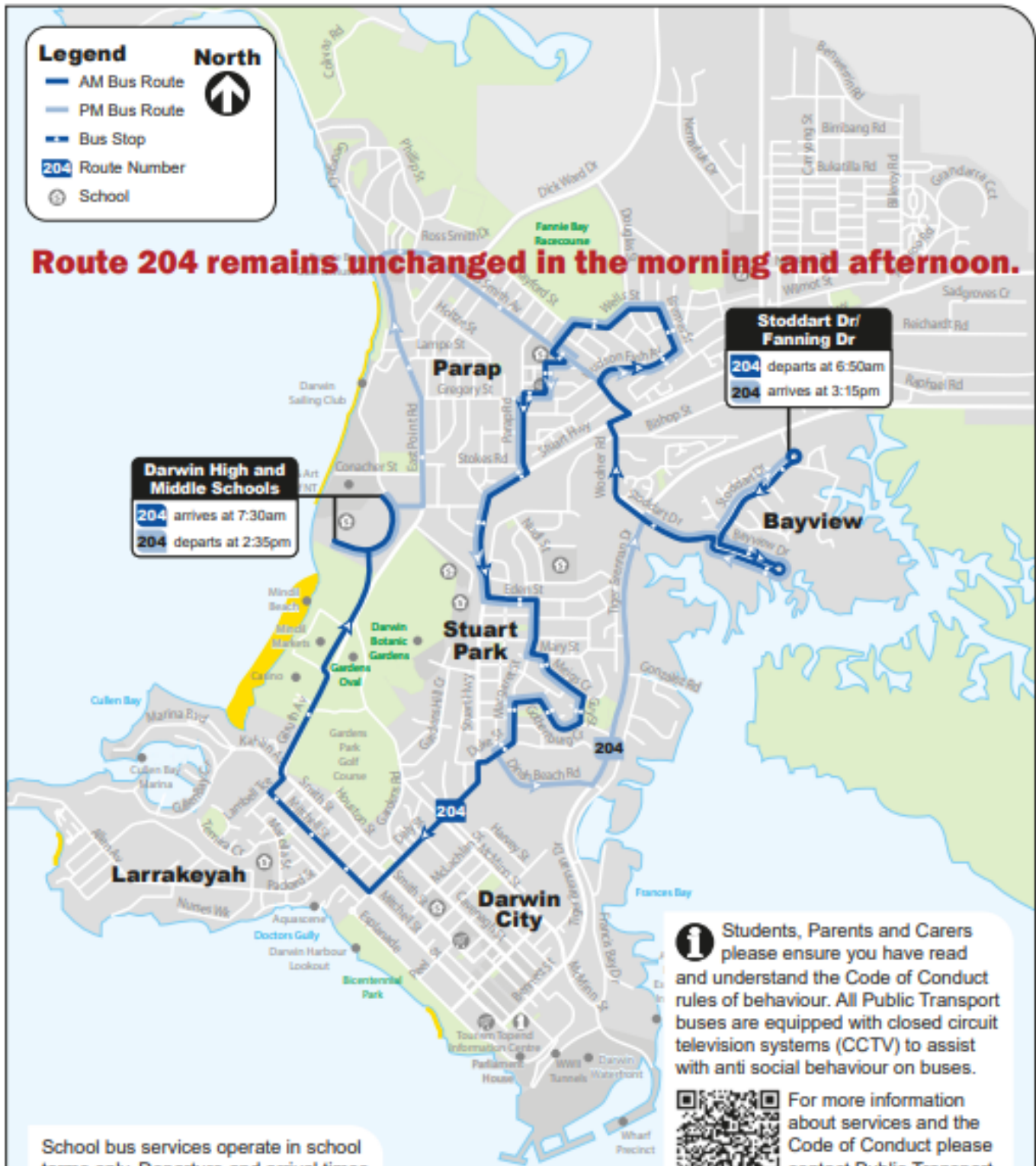
#### Legend

- AM Bus Route
- PM Bus Route
- Bus Stop
- 204 Route Number
- Ⓢ School

North



**Route 204 remains unchanged in the morning and afternoon.**



**Darwin High and Middle Schools**  
204 arrives at 7:30am  
204 departs at 2:35pm

**Stoddart Dr/  
Fanning Dr**  
204 departs at 6:50am  
204 arrives at 3:15pm

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# School Hours

Active supervision of Primary Students is from 8am to 8:15, and then 2:45pm to 3pm.

Preschool is from 8am to 2pm, whereby students are signed into preschool.

Please do not drop or send your child to school before 7:50am as we are not able to provide supervision. As always, the safety of your child is our priority.

Please contact one of our Assistant Principals should you need to discuss this.



## Items and Valuables at School



Please note that it is advised that students **are not** 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.

# LARRAKEYAH DEFENCE PRECINCT BASE ENTRY

Larrakeyah  
Primary  
School Drop  
Off / Pick Up

## MIND THE RULES, FOLLOW SIGNS AND SIGNALS.

To alleviate the heavy traffic congestion during school drop off and pick up times, we request that all parents adhere to the following guidelines. A diagram has been provided for your convenience.

These guidelines are of utmost importance to ensure the smooth operation of the Larrakeyah Defence Precinct and allow unobstructed access for our ADF members and emergency services. Importantly, compliance is crucial to maximise safety.

## DROP OFF / PICK UP ZONE (GREEN)

The paved road indicates the boundary of Commonwealth Property. Defence has generously provided access to parking bays for parents to easily drop off and collect their children from school.

## EXISTING KISS AND GO ZONE (FRONT OF LPS)

Access to this area is via Larrakeyah Terrace, as indicated by signage. Please note that there is **NO RIGHT TURN** into the school from Packard Street.



## BASE ROUNDABOUT

Parking or standing on the roundabout is strictly prohibited, and the roundabout is not to be used as a U-turn point.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Larrakeyah Base Management

# MINECRAFT

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS CAMP

**COST: \$90 PER DAY**

**SCHOOL YEARS 3 TO 7**

**TIME: 8 AM TO 4PM**

**SESSION 1: DECEMBER 16TH - 20TH**

**SESSION 2: JAN 20TH - 24TH**

**HOSTED BY**



**THE ARRAY [ ]**

**CONTACT DETAILS:**

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