



# LARRAKEYAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been great to see students return enthusiastically to school after the mid-semester break. Welcome to our new students who have commenced this term.

Larrakeyah Primary's vision is "We instil life-long learning through high standards, high expectations and high achievement". This vision is embedded in our school culture and school community. It influences the 'what' and 'why' for everything we do at school and the programs we implement.

Larrakeyah Primary has an explicit school improvement agenda based on high quality teaching to improve learning outcomes for all students with a particular focus this year on Mathematics and Wellbeing.

This Friday 19 April is a whole staff professional learning day (pupil free day). Staff from Larrakeyah Primary, Stuart Park Primary and Moil Primary will be having a combined Mathematics professional

development day with an external consultant presenting sessions on 'Learning Through Doing'. This will enable staff to sequence Mathematics lessons with a strong focus on the use of manipulative materials to develop an understanding of concepts.

For the staff professional learning day this Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April, parents are requested to make arrangements for the care of their children. Our OSHC Director, Tamara Silva, is offering a Vacation Care program on this day. She will need to know as soon as possible if you need to book a place for your child. Please contact Tamara for vacancies 89414521 or 0438813211 or [larrakeyah.oshc@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:larrakeyah.oshc@education.nt.gov.au)

We are continuing to embed our work with student wellbeing using YouHue to track student wellbeing and implementing the Resilience Project which we commenced last year.

From parent feedback, analysis of school data and research into best practice, teachers use a strategy called 'personalising learning' to improve student outcomes.

This means that teachers differentiate teaching strategies, adjust their planning and teaching to extend each student's knowledge and skills, regardless of their starting point or where they are at with their learning. Students also have individual learning goals.

This term, in the Community Digests each fortnight, teachers will be elaborating on what we do as a school in our focus areas of Mathematics and wellbeing as well as personalising learning.

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.



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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



## 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 19<sup>th</sup> April**

Professional Development Day  
(Pupil Free)

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

ANZAC Day Assembly

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

Anzac Day (Public Holiday)

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

Middle/Upper Assembly

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

May Day (Public Holiday)

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

AFL Gala Day

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

Early Childhood Assembly



**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>**

# Defence School Mentor

hello!

Hope you enjoyed a short but relaxing school holiday, now recharged and ready for a busy term 2.

Thank you to the Defence members who have kindly volunteered their time to help with the **ANZAC Day Commemorative Assembly at Larrakeyah Primary on Wednesday 24 April 2024 at 8:30am**. Our guest speaker is Lieutenant Colonel Travis Day; flag raising by Captain Tristan Hedger; with Able Seaman Chris Ellis playing the Last Post and Able Seaman Leigh Robke performing "We Are Australian" accompanied by the ECA singing group "Sing from the Heart."

Our students will be hosting, singing, & wreath laying at the event. Everyone is welcome to join our commemoration and to stay for a cuppa and Anzac biscuit afterwards.

We are extremely lucky to have had a few veterans volunteer to visit classrooms as part of our school Anzac Day commemorative activities.

Still a couple of days to get photos in for our "Special Anzac" display. Past and present ADF personnel that students want to recognise as their special Anzac. Students can discover, connect, and share their own family history with your help.

**Defence Kids Club** will be making Lest We Forget hands to help decorate a wreath to be presented at Daly Waters upcoming Anzac Day service. We will also be doing slouch hat crafts for the preparation of Anzac Day.

Registration for dry season sports has now begun, including Auskick (AFL for age 4-12) this year the clubs are here in Larrakeyah and Nightcliff. See [NAB AFL Auskick - Play AFL](#).

If you haven't yet applied or claimed your \$100 NT Sports Voucher some cut off dates are in May, so see [Sport voucher – NT Government – Sports voucher](#) for more information.

With the cool change in weather please make sure all belongings like jackets and especially hats and water bottles have names on, so they are less likely to go missing.

As dry season happens so too does ADF training and exercise. If you have a parent/partner away, please let the teacher and myself know so we can support your child during this time. Activities like sending photos and emails to the parent away, making treasures or just checking the student is ok, can help with coping and adjusting to the changes and challenges. I would also encourage you to register via Defence Family Helpline 1800 624608 for Absent Partner Support and request a bear and book pack for the children. The Defence Member & Family Support website has information and assistance for dealing with time apart [Absence from home | ADF Members & Families | Defence](#) including family care plans to help keep all the handy info required when someone is away.

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

**Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608**



# Reading Awards

Term 1 Week 10 2024

**Middle/Upper Primary**



## **Level 10**

Snehjeev Kaur

3 Gaskin

## **Level 20**

Ronaldo Rolle

3 Gaskin

Mahima Gaire

4 Miller

Kenny Huynh

5 Loughran

## **Lexile**

Amilun Wudu

3 Brown

Ava Bayram

3 Brown

Bethanie Lam

3 Brown

Macy

3 Brown

Tom Schneider

3 Brown

Ashley Yuen

4 Miller

Athelstan Esquibel

4 Miller

Shelby Kwok

4 Miller

Hannah Riedel

4 Thompson

Henry Upton

4 Thompson

Silvia Thapa

4 Thompson

Daniel Rees

4/5 Mostris

Lachlan

4/5 Mostris

Saanvi Roopan

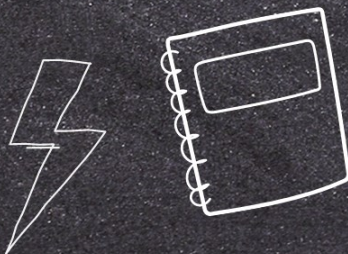
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# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



DAY



# PUPIL FREE



FRIDAY 19TH APRIL

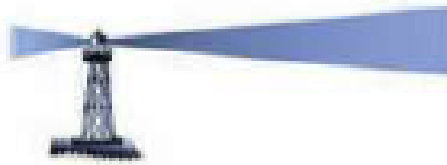


OSHC WILL BE OFFERING A VACATION CARE PROGRAM -  
BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

CONTACT: [LARRAKEYAH.OSHC@EDUCATION.NT.GOV.AU](mailto:LARRAKEYAH.OSHC@EDUCATION.NT.GOV.AU)







**LARRAKEYAH  
PRIMARY  
SCHOOL**

POSITION VACANT

## **MAINTENANCE OFFICER**

Larrakeyah Primary School has a current vacancy for a full-time School Maintenance Officer.

For further details please contact  
Rose Gerlach on 89813211 or email  
[rose.gerlach@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:rose.gerlach@education.nt.gov.au)

# *Visible Learning in the Classroom*

Writing Focus

Transition Motter and 5 Loughran

Maths Focus and

6 Mamouzellos and 4 Miller

## Show your support this ANZAC Day and purchase a Legacy Bear.

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.

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



### Term 2 ECA Activities and Dates



Week 2 (Wednesday 24 April) to Week 9 (Wednesday 12 June)

Offsite Activities 2:20 pm to 4:20 pm	Mixed Site Activity Times Below	Onsite at LPS Activities 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Soccer Tennis Ice Skating	<b><u>Connections- Now and Then</u></b> <b><u>At LPS- 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm</u></b> Wk2- 24/04/24 Wk 5- 15/05/24 Wk 7- 29/05/24 Wk 9- 12/06/24  <b><u>At Pearl- 2:20pm to 4:20 pm</u></b> Wk 3- 01/05/24 Wk 4- 08/05/24 Wk 6- 22/05/24 Wk 8- 05/06/24	Cricket Lego Engineering Chess Club Mindful Art Club Visual Art and Design Drama STEAM Challenges Gardening Buddies Drama Beads and Beyond Mini MasterChef



Week 3 (Wednesday 1 May) to Week 9 (Wednesday 12 June)



Offsite Activities 2:20 pm to 4:20 pm
Sailing (7 week program only)

\* Please note- any changes due to instructors being absent etc, will be notified via email and phone\*



# Larrakeyah Primary

# ANZAC Day

# Assembly

All parents, carers, veterans & friends are invited to join the students for the  
ANZAC Day Assembly on

*Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 8:30am to 9am in the  
Assembly area.*



The ceremony hosted by our School Captains, Halle & Nathan;  
guest speaker Lieutenant Colonel Travis Day; reading of the  
Ode Lieutenant Commander Stephen Gaisford; flag raising by  
Captain Tristan Hedger; with Able Seaman Chris Ellis playing the Last  
Post.

A performance of “We Are Australian” sung by Able Seaman Leigh  
Robke and  
accompanied by our ECA singing group.

Please feel free to place a poppy on “Our Special Anzacs” lawn display.

Feel welcome to stay and have a cuppa and Anzac biscuits in the  
Assembly area to share the mateship of our community.







# 2025 Year 7 Parent Information Evening

**Thursday 18 April, 5-6pm**

**Black Box Theatre, MPH, Darwin Middle School**

The parent information session is a chance to meet our Principal and senior staff as part of our transitioning program for 2025 Year 7 students.

It is a wonderful opportunity for parents and students to learn about our school and what specialist programs we have available.

We look forward to seeing you there

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 08 8942 5200

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## 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