



LARRAKEYAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Dates to Remember

Friday 24th October

M/U Assembly

Thursday 30th October

Halloween Disco

Friday 31st October

Day for Daniel

World Teacher's Day

Monday 3rd - Friday 14th Nov

Healthy Harold

Friday 7th November

E/C Assembly

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Dear Parents,

Larrakeyah Primary has been acclaimed in the 2025 *The Educator* 5-Star Best Schools. The school has been selected as one of 34 top performing schools in Australia. We are very honoured that Larrakeyah Primary is recognised as an outstanding school at a national level.

Chris Sweeney, Managing Editor for Special Reports at *The Educator*, shared his insights on the selection process, stating, "Larrakeyah Primary School fully merit their 5-Star recognition for exemplifying educational excellence. Their forward-thinking approach and dedication to comprehensive student growth are evident through innovative extracurricular offerings, advanced technology integration, and a strong focus on wellbeing initiatives".

The Educator's 30+ strong Intelligence Unit compiled the final winners list after the completion of a rigorous 3 months process, canvassing the opinions of objective industry experts and collating leading-edge research. In addition, further insight was provided by *The Educator's* esteemed judging panel. The prestigious list of honourees was then matched with the 5-Star Best Schools' precise criteria. Please read the

full report here <https://email.theeducatoronline.com/future-ready-learning-meet-australias-5-star-best-schools>

QUEST is an award winning, innovative program designed to connect and inspire students in Years 5 & 6. The program brings real life contexts to the modern day classroom by using industry professionals and 21st learning skills (4C's -creativity, critical thinking, collaboration and communication) through project based inquiry learning. This term, the QUEST program concluded with the QUEST Expo which showcased the students' learning. The Expo was enjoyed by our school community, including industry professionals, and students spoke confidently about their projects and what they achieved.

We will soon be planning classes for 2026. To assist with our preparation, 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



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 2026

Please complete if your child/children **will not be** (other than year 6 students) attending Larrakeyah Primary School in 2026.

Return to the office by hard copy or email,

larrakeyah.admin@education.nt.gov.au as soon as possible.

My child /children **will not be** attending Larrakeyah Primary School in 2026.

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

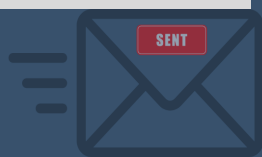
Parent Name:

Parent Signature:

Recent Notes Sent Home

Audiri

- LPS Swimming Program Y1-3
- Halloween Disco
- Year 3/4 Girls only Darwin Region Interschool Netball
- Year 3 Cooking and Gardening
- Class Notes



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 use the Audiri App. Tap on School logo then use EFORMS

School Hours

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

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

Office Hours
8:00am - 3:30pm

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.



Larrakeyah Primary School uses the Audiri App to keep families up to date

Available from Apple App Store or Google Play



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Defence School Mentor

hello! Apple Slinky fun is on Tuesday recess at the buddy bench, making healthy choices fun! All students are encouraged to bring an apple along to slinky-ize and say Hello!

Remembrance Day Commemorative Assembly, Tuesday 11 November 10:45am. There is still a vacancy for a veteran or ADF member to read the Ode at the Assembly. Please let me know if you would like the role.

Remembrance Day Photo display If you have a special Defence person (past or present) who you would like to acknowledge for their service, please email a photo to jodie.murdoch@education.nt.gov.au with some basic details like name, title/rank, service or any interesting info like deployments, so we can make them into a small plaque and include them in this year's Remembrance Day lawn photo display, so no one is forgotten whether it is a parent, great great grandparent, their contribution, sacrifice and service are part of your family military history.

POSTING? LEAVING? I have about 30 ADF students leaving Larrakeyah Primary so lots of friend photos and happy memories, new school research, emails to your new DSM.... please email me your moving details including last day, new location, new school and send in your blue school passport for updating so no one misses out on getting support. DFMS advice on [Moving with children | ADF Members & Families | Defence](#) and [Changing schools | ADF Members & Families | Defence](#)

Defence Kids Club – last week we made hermit crabs, this week we will be doing our annual crab racing, showing resilience, courage and confidence. ADF students and friends can hang out and enjoy dancing and fun activities in the Multi-purpose room behind the stage Thursdays at lunchtime.

Jodie Murdoch DSM jodie.murdoch@education.nt.gov.au 89813211

Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608

Who will you remember this Remembrance Day?



**Private Fredrick Stanley
Bennett LAMB**

1918 age 18yr 1 month
WW1 (France) & WW2
(Aust)

*Great grandfather to
Ms Jodie & her family.*

Let no one be forgotten this Remembrance Day 2025. We would love to include your special soldier/ serviceperson in the lawn display in front of the flagpole for Remembrance Day Assembly. They can be from the past or present, a soldier from battles long ago, peacekeepers, veterans or serving members from today. Add some interesting information like their name, rank, unit, service, or conflict And of course, who remembers (loves) them.

We can show everyone how proud we are of their spirit, sacrifice and contribution they have made.

These photos will be on display this Remembrance Day at Larrakeyah Primary and students can read & place poppies on them at recess & lunchtime.

Email photos to Jodie.murdoch@education.nt.gov.au

Photos must be into Jodie before week 4.



Remembrance Day Assembly Tuesday

11 November 2025, 10:45am



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.

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Visible Learning in the Classroom

Writing Focus

5 Thompson

Math Focus and Cooking and Gardening

4 Ingle and Year 3

Click on the links above to visit our website to read the latest articles or to access previous articles



I feel well informed about what is happening at Larrakeyah Primary.

Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

Answer online

<https://bit.ly/larrakeyah22>

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.

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Staff Spotlight



EMMA
TAYLOR

How long have you been a part of the Larrakeyah Primary School community?

I have just started my third year at Larrakeyah Primary School.

What is one lesson or activity you love to teach, and why do you think it resonates with the students?

I love to teach literacy. As an EC teacher, students often begin the year with limited sound knowledge and writing abilities. It is a privilege to be able to teach them the letter-sound relationships and watch as they become confident to apply it to reading and writing. It resonates with students as they are empowered to use their learning to interact with the real world.

What's your favourite part about working with the students and staff at Larrakeyah Primary School?

My favourite part about Larrakeyah Primary School is the positive learning attitude teachers and students have. It is wonderful to see students so engaged in their learning and how teachers create learning spaces that all students can participate in and feel like they belong to.



Canteen Specials

✦ WEEK 4 & 5 ✦



WEEK 4, 29TH OCTOBER

Nachos \$6.00



WEEK 5, 5TH NOVEMBER

Chips with Nuggets \$6.00

LOST PROPERTY

Parents, please take a moment to check the Lost Property located outside the office; we have many items including jumpers, school jackets, hats and water bottles waiting to be claimed.



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CHILDREN'S ONLINE PRIVACY CODE

Earlier this year, the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC), the Australian Government's privacy regulator, invited children and young people in Years 3 to 12 to share their views about online privacy. The OAIC received over 235 responses from children and young people. In recognition of one of the key components of a genuine consultation process, the OAIC has published, specifically for children and young people, a Children's consultation report. This report provides a snapshot summary of the important views shared by children and young people, allowing children and young people to engage with their own views being echoed back to them, and to also gain insight into the views shared by others in their own age cohort. As part of your ongoing support of the OAIC's development of the Children's Online Privacy Code, please take a few minutes to read this report and share it with the young people in your life. The Children's consultation report can be found here; [Children's Online Privacy Code - children's consultation report | OAIC.](#)

Children told us that online privacy matters



We asked children in Years 3 to 6 and teens in Years 7–12 to tell us how they feel about online privacy.

Over 235 children wrote answers to our questions, meaning everything you read in this short report comes from children.



The Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC) is the Australian Government's privacy regulator, meaning our goal is to protect the personal information of all Australians.

Privacy means being able to control who can see or use personal information about you like your name, age, and photos of you. It is also things you share online about yourself such as your location and opinions.

Top 6 things

children want online companies to do better



Ask for permission!

Children want to be asked more often if their personal information can be collected and used.



More explanations!

Children want to learn and understand why online companies want their personal information.



Privacy policies should be short and simple to read!

Children don't want long texts with big words. Make it fun!



Make important information and buttons easier to find!

Children want the important stuff to be clearly marked.



Help children when they have questions!

Children want a person or place to go to online to ask for help.



Make it fair!

Children know that some online companies can make money from their personal information, and this feels unfair. Children want their time online to be fair.



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The OAIC has the important job of creating the Children's Online Privacy Code.

The Children's Online Privacy Code will be a special set of rules that tells online companies and the Government what they can and can't do with your personal information.

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*Carly Kind,
the Privacy Commissioner*

Being in control

Seventy percent of children told us that they do not like when information about them is shared without them knowing.

70%

“I want to feel like I am in control of my private information and that I can choose by myself if I really want to share it.”



“I think my information should only be accessed by my parents, the police, the health care units, and the government, but only if it's for a good cause. I think I should be able to decide, not anyone else.”

66%

Trust matters

Two-thirds of children said they would only want known and trusted people (family, friends, schools, doctors etc) to have access to their personal information.

Tell us when you're tracking and why

Forty-five percent of children told us that apps and websites should not be allowed to have location tracking automatically on and said that they want to be notified when and why their location is being tracked, to help them understand.

45%

“Apps should not be allowed to track where you are. Apps and websites should explain why they need this information and what they will do with it.”



I'm changing as I grow up and so is my personal information

“I think there should be a reset button on every app, like on drawing games when you want to undo your last action.”

60%

Sixty percent of children told us that they want to be in control of their personal information by understanding what personal information online companies have about them and have the option to change and delete that personal information.

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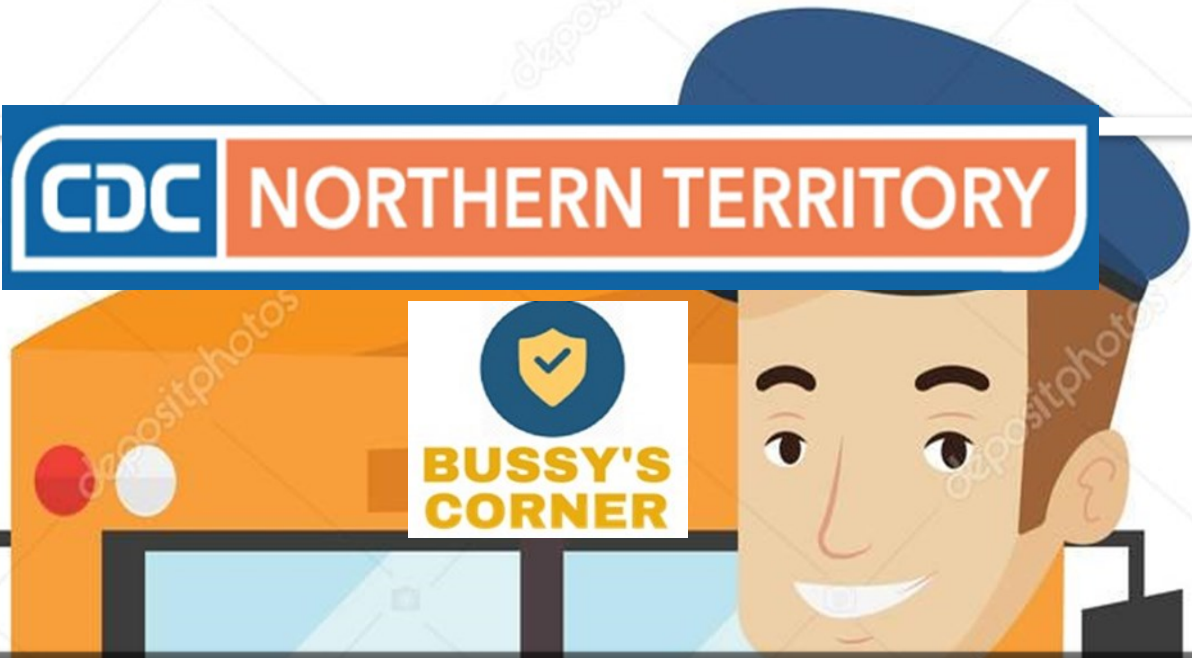
I think young people should have more say in these important things.

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Keep up to date about the
Children's Online Privacy Code at www.oaic.gov.au

OAIC

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CDC

NORTHERN TERRITORY

**BUSSY'S
CORNER**

How do you show respect to bus drivers?

Showing respect to bus drivers is just like how you'd treat anyone helping you—be kind, polite, and appreciate what they do.

- Say hi and greet the driver.
- Listen to their instructions while on the bus.
- Keep noise down and don't be loud.
- Sit down and buckle up.
- Follow the school bus rules for a safe trip.

Smile, say hello, thank you, and goodbye to the bus driver—these small things can really make their day nicer!



**RIDE WITH
RESPECT**



Artist: Kootji ©

RESPECT
DRIVER

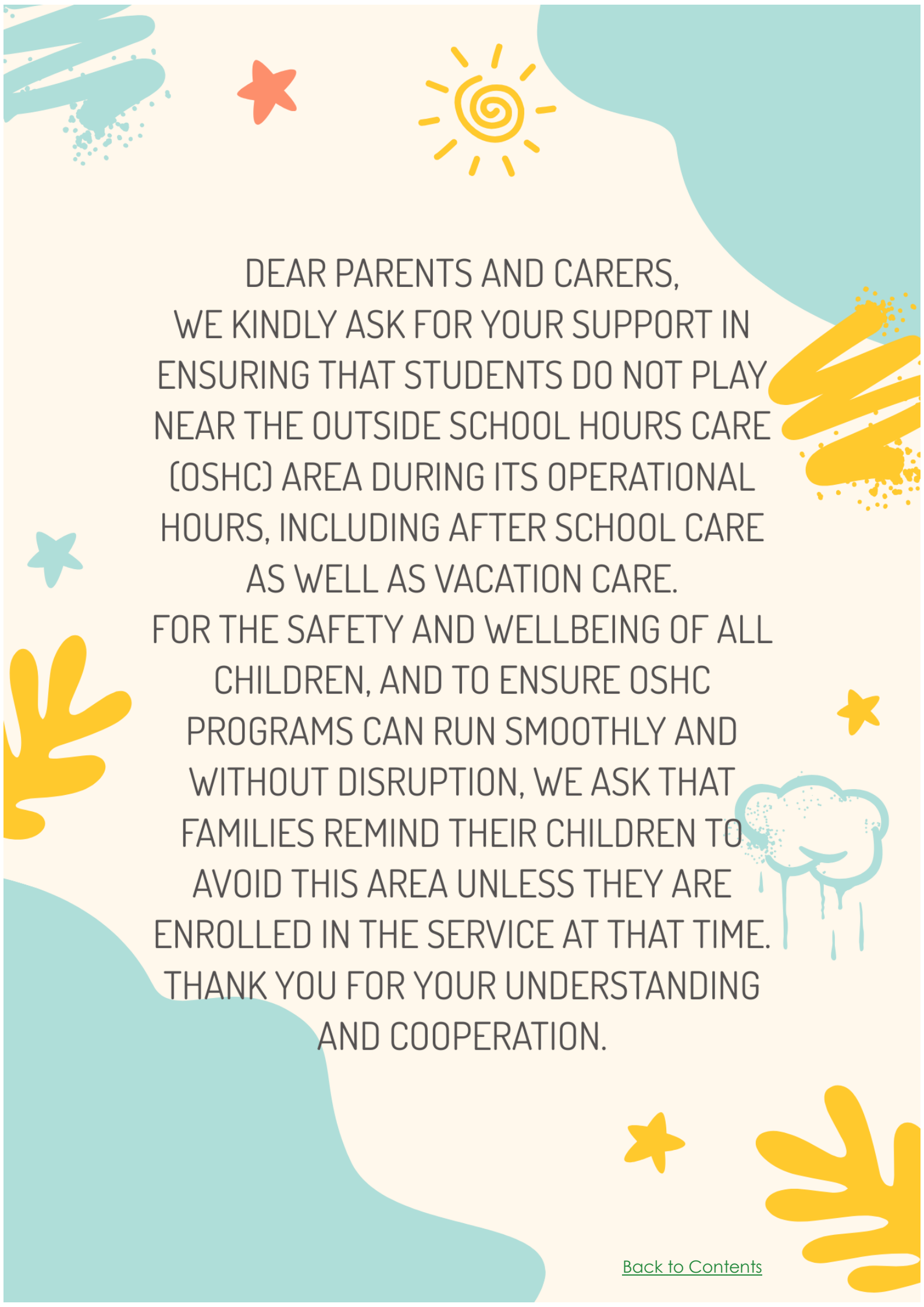
LIVERPOOL
HASTINGS

NORTHERN
TERRITORY



**Our blood
pressure drops
when we pet a
dog.**

@weareteachers



DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS,
WE KINDLY ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN
ENSURING THAT STUDENTS DO NOT PLAY
NEAR THE OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE
(OSHC) AREA DURING ITS OPERATIONAL
HOURS, INCLUDING AFTER SCHOOL CARE
AS WELL AS VACATION CARE.

FOR THE SAFETY AND WELLBEING OF ALL
CHILDREN, AND TO ENSURE OSHC
PROGRAMS CAN RUN SMOOTHLY AND
WITHOUT DISRUPTION, WE ASK THAT
FAMILIES REMIND THEIR CHILDREN TO
AVOID THIS AREA UNLESS THEY ARE
ENROLLED IN THE SERVICE AT THAT TIME.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING
AND COOPERATION.

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.



SCHOOL BUS TRAVEL

Please take note of the bus routes in the links below and speak to your child about the best bus for them to catch. Bus 103 can become quite congested in the afternoon with some students unable to get on due to numbers. Bus 209 is an alternative option for some of our students, especially those who live in Bayview.

Be sure to check the links for details regarding your bus services and policies, including the Code of Conduct for school bus travel (referred to as the Code). It is crucial for parents to become familiar with the Code and ensure that their children understand the policy before allowing them to ride the school bus

[Larrakeyah Primary School - Bus Routes](#)

[Darwin High School/Darwin Middle School](#)

[Rules for catching a School Bus](#)

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