



# LARRAKEYAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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## Dates to Remember

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

Swimming Program

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

EC Assembly

Quest Expo

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

M/U Assembly

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

Day for Daniel

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov**

Healthy Harold

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been wonderful to see students return enthusiastically to school after the mid-semester break.

We ended last term with an outstanding school production "Moana", another "next level" performance. The students were excellent. The main cast and extension dancers were superb. We were very proud. It was fantastic to see parents in tropical attire which helped to set the mood for the night – thank you! Thank you to the staff for their organisation, particularly Mrs Vrettis and Mrs Mattiazzo.

Thank you to all parents for ensuring your child had the required costume. The standard of costumes for each class was amazing. Also, a special thanks to all parent volunteers who assisted with walking students to the AANT Centre for the rehearsals. Your support was greatly appreciated.

Parents particularly enjoyed the family photos with the "Moana" decorative theme created by All About Party Hire. Sincere thanks to parent Rusha Harper-Ceylani

who volunteered the display as well as time in setting up to make our Moana production sensational.

The production video will be available to purchase as a USB in a special gift tin and parents have been asked to pre-order. We are currently finalising this process.

Congratulations to Ashleigh Church, Senior teacher Early Childhood - Finalist in the category "Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Educator of the Year" in the 2025 World Teachers' Day NT Awards. Winners will be announced on World Teachers' Day on 31st October. We wish Ashleigh all the best.

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

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

<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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## Recent Notes Sent Home

### Audiri

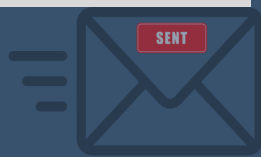
Canteen Specials

Year 4 to 6 - Swimming Program

Year 6 - Culture Connection Program

Moana USB Order Form

Year 3 to 6 - 2026 Music School  
Enrolments



# 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!

Welcome back to school for term four. Sounds like everyone had a great break. Hope you have had a chance to recharge your batteries for a busy term ahead.

This month is Mental Health Month, next week is **Veterans Health Week**, and then its National Nutrition week, so we will be having Twisty Tuesdays this month to encourage healthy living and connection. Defence or non-Defence students who bring an apple to the Buddy Bench on Tuesdays at recess, can turn it into an **apple slinky**. Making healthy fun choices! Veteran Health Week event, see [Veterans' Health Week rides - DORC - Darwin Off Road Cyclists](#)

**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** needs new faces to join. 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](mailto: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?** Please email me your moving details including last day, new location, new school and send in your blue school passport for updating too. Then we can make sure your child receives support, farewell activities, and mementos prior to leaving. DFMS advice on [Moving with children | ADF Members & Families | Defence](#) and [Changing schools | ADF Members & Families | Defence](#)

**Parent Away** – please let me or your teacher know when a parent is going away as it can allow us to support them during this time. **Absence from Home Packs**, support and resources are now available from DMFS Darwin, you can contact the Darwin office directly on (08) 7971 9315 or via email [dmfs.darwin@defence.gov.au](mailto:dmfs.darwin@defence.gov.au) DMFS links: [Care packages and messages | ADF Members & Families | Defence](#) [Resources for children | ADF Members & Families | Defence](#)

**Defence Kids Club** – for ADF students to hang out with dancing and fun activities, at lunchtime on Thursdays in the Multi-purpose room behind the stage. This term's focus will be preparation for moving, change and farewell, and of course fabric poppy making leading up to Remembrance Day. We will also have our annual DKC pizza farewell party 13 November 2025.

**Larrakeyah Neighbourhood House & Robertson Barracks Family Group** will be resuming weekly activities. See more on their Facebook pages or websites for more info [Larrakeyah Neighbourhood House - Home \(larrakeyahhouse.com.au\)](#) & [Welcome | Robertson Barracks Family Group \(rbfg.com.au\)](#)

Parent Tips check out:

**Beacon app** - The Kids Research Institute Australia and Dolly's Dream deliver Beacon - a cyber safety educational app designed to keep parents and carers up-to-date with trusted, tailored information, to help keep their kids safe online. [Beacon | Cyber Safety App](#)

**Maggie Dent**, parenting guru well renowned author and educator with sensible parenting advice has a free ABC podcast [Parental As Anything with Maggie Dent and Bec Sparrow - ABC listen](#) with advice on lots of parenting topics for kids and teens.

If you haven't already claimed your \$100 sports vouchers - Do not forget to claim your semester 2 child's sports voucher with the wet season sports all starting registrations. [Get sport vouchers for your child | NT.GOV.AU](#)

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

**Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608**

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# 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](mailto: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

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Math Focus

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



## 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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# Canteen Specials



WEEK 1 - WEEK 5



**WEEK 1, 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

Fish and Chips \$6.00



**WEEK 2, 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

Honey Soy Chicken  
with chips \$6.00



**WEEK 3, 22<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

Butter Chicken with  
Steamed Rice \$6.00



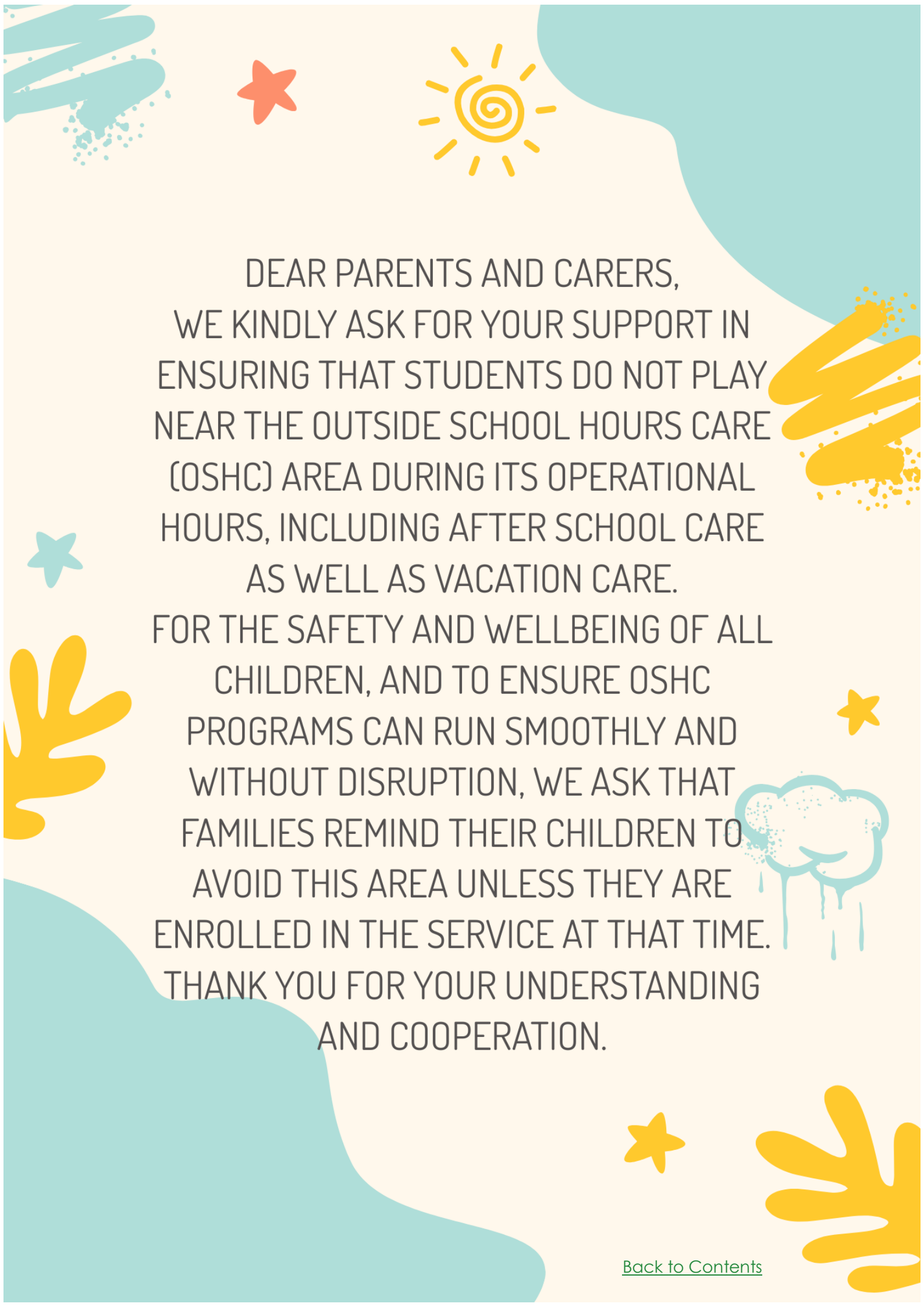
**WEEK 4, 29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

Nachos \$6.00



**WEEK 5, 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

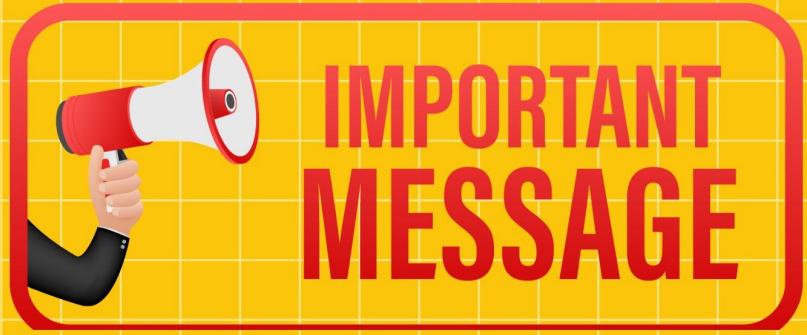
Chips with Nuggets \$6.00



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.





# Uniform Policy



Larrakeyah Primary School are enforcing the uniform policy in 2025  
 Students must wear the below items only.  
 All items can be purchased through the front office administration area.



School Shirt



School Dress



School Shorts



School Skorts



House Sports Shirt

Worn only on days students have PE Lessons or when otherwise advised. These must be worn with school shorts or skorts.

Leggings or bike pants must be worn underneath school dresses, shorts or skorts and be the colours **navy** or **black**. They are not a replacement of the school shorts or skorts.

If you have any further questions regarding the school uniform policy please contact:

Danni Mattiazzo  
 (Early Childhood Assistant Principal)  
[danni.mattiazzo@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:danni.mattiazzo@education.nt.gov.au)

or  
 Bradley King  
 (Middle/Upper Primary Assistant Principal)  
[bradley.king@education.nt.gov.au](mailto:bradley.king@education.nt.gov.au)

## 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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