



LARRAKEYAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Dates to Remember

Thursday 28th August
Rugby Union Gala Day
Monday 1st - Friday 5th Sept
Year 6 Singapore Study Tour
Wednesday 3rd Sept
AFL Gala Day
Friday 5th September
EC Assembly
Friday 12th September
M/U Assembly
Mon 15th and Tues 16th Sept
Rehearsals at DEC
Wednesday 17th Sept
Moana Production

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a nationwide annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Whilst schools do their own school-based assessments, NAPLAN gives school an understanding of how students are performing against the Australian mean.

The 2025 NAPLAN National Report has been released and our school's results have been updated to reflect the current national, jurisdictional and school mean scale scores for each year level and domain.

Larrakeyah Primary School is proud of their 2025 NAPLAN Results and wish to highlight our students' achievements. Our Year 3 and Year 5 cohorts average score was above the national average in all tested areas. (Writing, Reading, Grammar and Punctuation, Spelling and Numeracy). Our staff look forward to unpacking the data

further and using this to inform teaching practice.

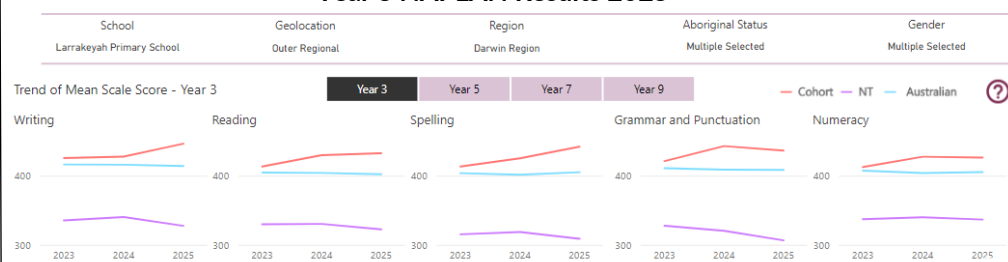
Australian schools are required to report on student, parent and staff satisfaction under the Australian Education Act 2013. Each year, the School Survey collects the opinions of staff, students and their families about school performance. It contains questions that aim to provide schools with key insights into wellbeing, engagement, and learning experiences from the perspective of the school community. The survey is open until Friday 5 September 2025. Please access the link : [2025 Parent Survey - Larrakeyah Primary School](#)

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. We use survey results to inform school planning and improvement. Your feedback is appreciated.

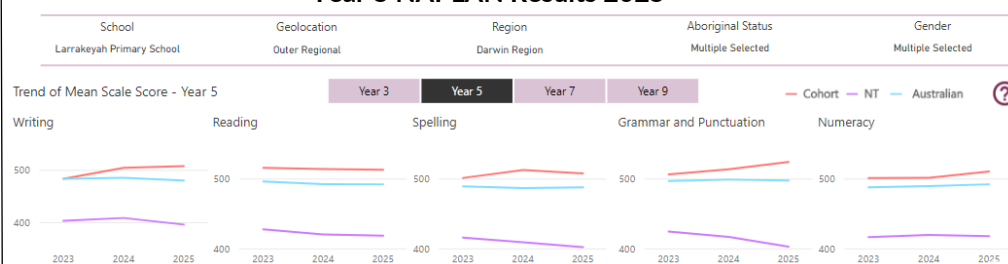
Regards
Fathma Mauger
Principal



Year 3 NAPLAN Results 2025



Year 5 NAPLAN Results 2025



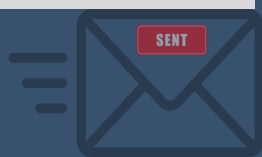
Larrakeyah Primary School is a member of the Darwin City Schools and in partnership with Darwin Middle School, Darwin High School, Northern Territory Open Education Centre, Ludmilla Primary School, Stuart Park Primary School and Parap Primary School.

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

Recent Notes Sent Home

Audiri

- Parent Survey Reminder
- Year 6 - Adolescent Health and Wellbeing Forum
- Excursion to Moana Rehearsals at DEC
- 2025 ASPIRE Expo
- Singapore Study Tour Final Information
- Dress UP for Moana
- Father's Day Stall
- Canteen Specials Wk 6-10



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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News From the School Board

Term 3 is always one for celebration, and this Term, Larrakeyah Primary School has been recognised as excelling at the highest levels.

2025 Australian Education Awards

I would firstly like to congratulate our LPS leadership team (in particular Fathma Mauger and Danni Mattiazzo) for their vision and work to create and implement IntelliLearn in our upper primary classrooms. This was not a product that was purchased via subscription or 'off the shelf' - the idea came from our very own leaders, and our leaders guided the work of digital specialists to build IntelliLearn for use in our classrooms. Student performance data has shown an improvement in student writing since the introduction of IntelliLearn, with students receiving real-time feedback and prompts to improve their written work.

LPS was recently awarded the winner for Best Use of Technology at the 2025 Australian Education Awards in relation to IntelliLearn. Our staff work tirelessly to ensure the best possible experience and outcomes for our children, and it is no accident that LPS regularly features as a finalist in these national awards. For context, LPS reached 'finalist' status in five categories in 2025, and this year marked the third year in a row we have been a finalist in the Best Use of Technology category. To be recognised as a finalist is an outstanding achievement, but to win a category when pitched against the best schools in the country is nothing short of exceptional! Congratulations to everyone involved in the ideation, creation and rollout of IntelliLearn!

NAPLAN Results

A number of parents have shared with me their observations that 'Larrakeyah doesn't seem to make a big deal of NAPLAN' in the way that other schools are perceived to 'teach to NAPLAN' and 'stress students out' as they face the pressure of a test. As a fifth-year parent at LPS this year, this is certainly an observation I have shared on my own journey. My observation is also we are fortunate that the strong focus on teaching and learning means that there is no need to 'teach to NAPLAN'; our students are already well equipped in their usual learning environment to deal with the content of NAPLAN and this is evident again in our most recent NAPLAN results, highlighted in Fathma's Principal's Report today.

LPS consistently achieves above the Australian mean in NAPLAN. This is reflective of the school's strong focus on best practice and analysis of student performance data and trends to determine areas for improvement. The school review last year also acknowledged the school's commitment to academic excellence. Our school results are a testament to strong leadership and the dedication of our classroom teachers in the efforts they make to provide consistently positive learning environments for our children. Thankyou to you all.

Moana

Finally, an reminder of our opportunity to come together as a school community and celebrate our children in the upcoming performance of Moana. Please do remember to wear your very best Hawaiian/Tropical outfits and make this a fun night for all. Look forward to seeing you all there!

Kristy Rees

Chairperson

Larrakeyah Primary School

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Defence School Mentor

hello!

Reminder Defence Dads you are invited to a Hotdog lunch and fun at school! Please RSVP email to Jodie ASAP to attend our annual **Defence Dad's Lunch** on Friday 5th September, 12:45pm, in the cooking room.

HELP! I have just had our Remembrance Day Speaker cancel due to Defence work commitments. If you know of anyone who would be a good speaker, or you would be interested yourself, please let me know. We still require a volunteer to raise the flag with their child at the assembly and would like to have a someone special read the Ode too.

Remembrance Day Commemorative Assembly, Tuesday 11 November 10:45am.

Defence Kids Club Take Home Ted is having a mini vacation with a family that are missing Dad. Ted is having great adventures and lots and lots of cuddles. Does Ted need to visit you? This week Defence kids with a parent away have been busy making love links, welcome home posters, craft and sending and receiving emails with photos of adventures as well as extra DSM TLC in the classroom or playground.

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](#)

New Pedestrian base access - Reminder that students from school will now access the base via the turnstile pedestrian entrance (bike racks are found Defence side). Please remind your child not to walk through the carpark but follow the footpath for a safe route.

\$100 Sports Vouchers Reminder each NT school student is eligible to apply for a \$100 Sports Voucher twice a year to help in the costs of children's sports and activities. Grant applications opened in July so claim yours now [Get sport vouchers for your child | NT.GOV.AU](#)

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

Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608



Visible Learning in the Classroom

Writing Focus

[3/4 Carswell](#) and [3 Brown](#)

Math Focus

[5 Thompson](#) and [The Arts](#)

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



Larrakeyah Primary looks for ways to improve.

Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

Answer online

<https://bit.ly/larrakeyah20>

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



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

I started at Larrakeyah Primary School in 2022.

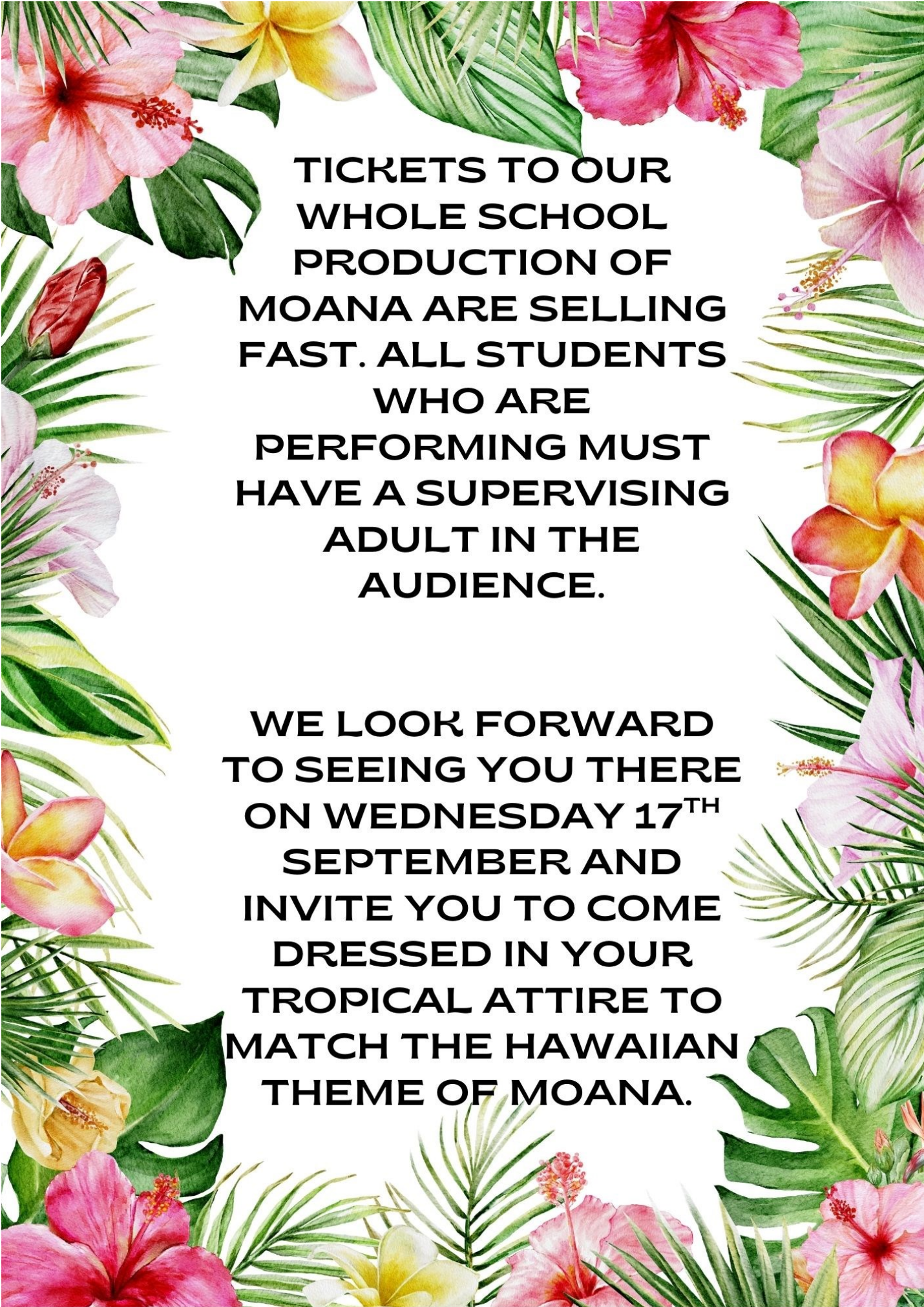
What is one lesson or activity you love to teach, and why do you think it resonates with the students?

I enjoy any opportunity to teach students a new skill or concept. Some of my favourite lessons to teach are maths because it's such a valuable skill for the students to learn. I love seeing the lightbulb moments occur! I think it resonates with me because I understand the effort it can take to build up confidence in maths.

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

My favourite part about working with students at Larrakeyah Primary School is watching students embrace all the different opportunities available to them through programs like Aspire and Quest. The staff are always kind, supportive and collaborative. I always feel encouraged to grow and take on new opportunities because of their support.



A decorative border of tropical flowers and leaves surrounds the text. It includes pink and yellow hibiscus, plumeria, and various green leaves like monstera and palm fronds.

**TICKETS TO OUR
WHOLE SCHOOL
PRODUCTION OF
MOANA ARE SELLING
FAST. ALL STUDENTS
WHO ARE
PERFORMING MUST
HAVE A SUPERVISING
ADULT IN THE
AUDIENCE.**

**WE LOOK FORWARD
TO SEEING YOU THERE
ON WEDNESDAY 17TH
SEPTEMBER AND
INVITE YOU TO COME
DRESSED IN YOUR
TROPICAL ATTIRE TO
MATCH THE HAWAIIAN
THEME OF MOANA.**



—— SLT PRESENTS ——

FATHER'S DAY STALL

WEEK 7

Monday 25th August – Friday 29th August

Prices from \$2.00 – \$10.00

Located out front of the Library next to
Early Childhood Basketball Court

Stall will run until stocks last!



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2025 ASPIRE EXPO

We warmly invite you to attend our ASPIRE Learning Expo, where students will proudly present their project findings.

04 SEP
THURSDAY
11:30 - 12:45





Claim your child's sport voucher today

You can receive two **\$100 sport vouchers** each year, one in January and one in July, to help pay for sport, active recreation and cultural activities.

How to apply

1. Visit nt.gov.au/sport-vouchers to get started
2. Register and apply for the voucher through grantsnt.nt.gov.au

Need help?

Call us on **1800 817 860** or email Sport.VoucherScheme@nt.gov.au



nt.gov.au/sport-vouchers

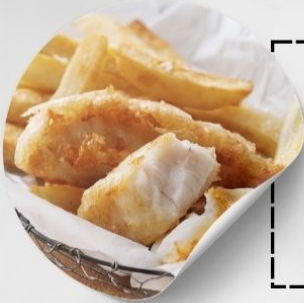


Items and Valuables at School

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

CANTEEN SPECIALS



Week 6 Wed 20 Aug

Fish and Chips

\$6.00

Week 7 Wed 27 Aug

Steak Sandwich

\$6.00



Week 8 Wed 3 Sept

Butter Chicken with Steamed Rice

\$6.00

Week 9 Wed 10 Sept

Nuggets with Chips

\$6.00



Week 10 Wed 17 Sept

Ham or Chicken Pizza with Garlic Bread

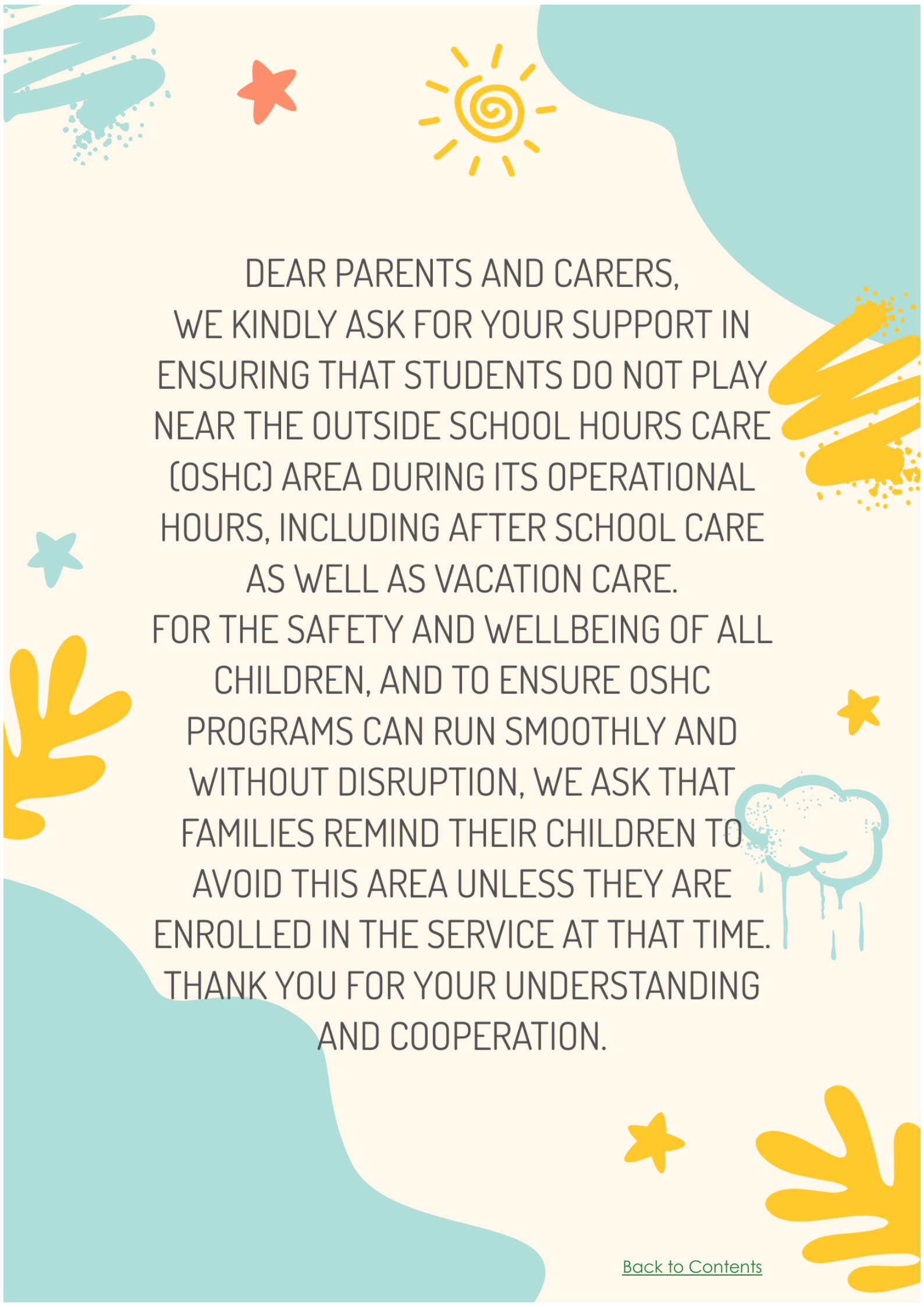
\$6.00

ATTENTION ALL BUS STUDENTS
**INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR ON OUR
BUSES, IS NOT TOLERATED.**

- Your behaviour on the bus matters for everyone to be safe and have a peaceful ride.
 - Don't group together and pick on others, instead look after each other.
 - Do not throw things inside the bus.
- Bad behaviour on the bus can distract the driver and it's important that he can concentrate on driving.
- It may be a fun game for you but for others it is not, and it will compromise everyone's safety on the bus.

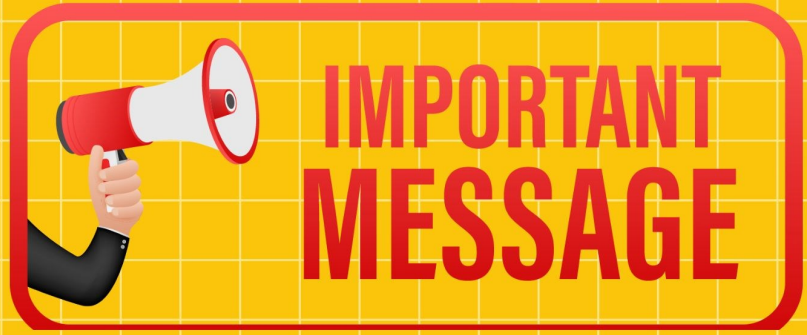
Can parents/guardians please ensure that students understand their responsibilities as outlined in the *Code of Conduct for School Bus Travel*. Click on this link for the Code: https://nt.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/547624/code-of-conduct-for-school-bus-travel.pdf





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

or
 Bradley King
 (Middle/Upper Primary Assistant Principal)
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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