



LARRAKEYAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Dates to Remember

Tuesday 21st April

N TLC Excursion

Friday 24th April

ANZAC Day Assembly

Friday 1st May

M/U Assembly

Hockey Gala Day

Friday 15th May

Golf Gala Day

Friday 29th May

Soccer Gala Day

Whole School STEAM Day

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome all to Term 2. Congratulations to teachers Ms Carswell and Mr France who were married during the school break. We wish them all the best for their future lives together.

At the start of this term, staff had a professional development day. This day focussed largely on the school focus areas of Maths and Reading, particularly in regards to explicit teaching. We are fortunate to have an external consultant, Guy Constable, who will be working with the staff this week on "Learning Through Doing". "Learning Through Doing" is a comprehensive Mathematics approach that is now in place from Transition through to Year 6. The approach supports teaching and learning in all areas of Mathematics: number and algebra, measurement and geometry, and data and statistics. "Learning Through Doing" makes Mathematics engaging and supports teachers to differentiate their approach to match what students need.

The school has strong values – Respect, Responsibility and Achievement. These values are not just for students – they are for all members of the school community. Larrakeyah Primary has a very positive school culture but I would like to remind parents of the Code of Conduct in School's policy, particularly those new to the school. The school adheres to this policy which also includes parent conduct in the school. This policy establishes clear standards of conduct in schools, ensuring that interactions are professional, respectful, and do not adversely impact staff wellbeing or damage the reputation of

a school or its staff. All parents, volunteers and other school community members who enter or engage with the school agree to comply with the school Code of conduct by virtue of that act. Any breaches of the code of conduct may result in action from the school or department, as detailed in section 5 of this policy. <https://larrakeyahprimary.com.au/resources/>

A reminder... The wearing of full school uniform has been inconsistent in the past with a noticeable number of students wearing alternative clothing with the school shirt. This year, the school is strictly enforcing the uniform policy. As per the uniform policy, leggings or bike pants are additional items and as such do not replace the shorts/skorts. They can be worn underneath skorts, shorts or the dress. Additional items must be navy blue or black.

We look forward to another successful term. The partnership between home and school is always important. If you have any concerns or issues regarding your child, we encourage you to contact the class teacher in the first instance. Myself, Brad King (Assistant Principal Middle/Upper Primary), Danni Mattiazzo (Assistant Principal, Early Childhood), Ashleigh Church (Senior Teacher Early Childhood) and George Mamouzellos (Senior Teacher Middle Primary) and Riley France (Senior Teacher Upper Primary) are also available.

Regards
Fathma Mauger
Principal



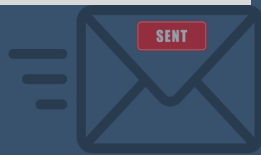
Larrakeyah Primary School is a member of the Darwin City Schools and in partnership with Darwin Middle School, Darwin High School, Northern Territory Open Education Centre, Ludmilla Primary School, Stuart Park Primary School and Parap Primary School.

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

Recent Notes Sent Home

Audiri

- ECA - Spots Available
- Year 5 Camp



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! I do hope everyone has enjoyed the short Easter holidays and are energised for a busy term two of learning ahead. By term two your child should have settled into their new class and have formed friendships. If you are concerned that your child is still struggling, please let me know so we can assist.

Defence Kids Club on Thursday at lunchtime, we will be working on slouch hat crafts for Anzac Day.



ANZAC Day Commemorations This year the School Anzac Awards theme is “Women in Service,” if any ADF Mum’s are interested in visiting a class and inspiring students by sharing the extraordinary roles that Australian women have held/hold in Defence then please let me know ASAP.

Friday Week 2 is our school Anzac Day Commemorative Assembly. Please feel free to join the Assembly and stay for a quick Anzac biscuit after. **ANZAC Day Assembly, 24 April 2026, 8:30am.**

Who is your special Anzac? We are calling for photos from **everyone** to update our “Special Anzacs” Display. Please email a photo ASAP of your current and past serving family members to include in our lawn display at the base of the flagpole this ANZAC Assembly. Students can discover, connect, and share their own family history with your help. Thank you to those that have already sent in a photo of their special ANZAC.

Please remember to let me or your teacher know if a parent is going away. Any changes in circumstances can affect your child’s learning and behaviours at school, so good communication helps us understand a student’s changing emotions or focus. Whether it is someone away or moving, your notice allows us to support them during these times. Note you are also able to register with Defence Family Helpline and request a Bear and Book pack if the parent is gone for a while.

Many students did not to have their hats on the first day back at school. We have a “No hat, no play” policy so please remind your child to bring their hat each day, then they won’t miss out on fun in the sunshine. Please make sure your child’s name is on **all** their items they bring or wear to school, with the changing weather and the dry season trying to arrive, lots of items seem to make their way to the LOST & FOUND box outside the side admin entrance if you are looking for your missing jacket, lunchbox or drink bottle.

Defence Member and Family Support [Defence Member and Family Support - Darwin Events - 4 Upcoming Activities and Tickets | Eventbrite](#)

Also your local Defence Community Houses are resuming their usual activities and have new ones planned, please see their websites or follow them on Facebook [Larrakeyah Neighbourhood House - Home](#) or [Welcome | Robertson Barracks Family Group](#)

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Defence Family Helpline 1800 624 608

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Visible Learning in the Classroom

Science Focus

Year 5

Maths Focus

Transition Mostris

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



Who's your special ANZAC?



**Private Fredrick Stanley
Bennett LAMB**

*1918 age 18yr 1 month
WW1 (France) & WW2(Aust)
Great grandfather to
Ms Jodie & her family.*

Email a photo of your special ANZAC so we can put them into our 2026 ANZAC display. They can be from the past or present, a soldier from battles long ago, 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/plaques will be on display this ANZAC Day Assembly at Larrakeyah Primary and students can read & place poppies on them at recess & lunchtime.

Email photos to Jodie.murdoch@education.nt.gov.au
Or via your teacher ASAP to be included.



Anzac Day Assembly Friday 24 April 2026, 8:30am

(Week 2 Term 2)



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Larrakeyah Primary School

Invites

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

2026 ANZAC Day Commemorative Assembly

On: **Friday 24th April 2026**

At: **8:30am to 9am**

Where: **Undercover Assembly area**

(facing the flagpole)

Larrakeyah Primary's Anzac Day Commemorative Assembly will be hosted by our School Captains, Frankie and Madden. Guest Speaker Squadron Leader Stephanie Gartshore; Reader of the Ode Lieutenant Colonel Troy Wilson; and flag raisers Sergeant Ashton Knight and children, and Leading Seaman Chris Ellis playing The Last Post.

Each class will lay wreaths.

Come along, share the commemoration with our students, place a poppy on our "Special Anzacs" photo display,



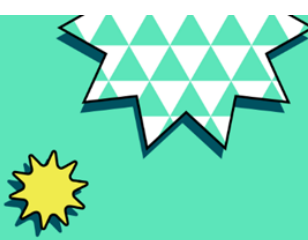
Uniform Policy

Larrakeyah Primary School's Uniform Expectations

 <p>School Shirt</p>	 <p>School Dress</p>
 <p>School Shorts</p>	 <p>School Skorts</p>
 <p>House Sports Shirt</p> <p>Worn only on days students have PE Lessons or when otherwise advised. These must be worn with school shorts or skorts.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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</p>

Outside School Hours Care

Newsletter



15/04/2026

Larrakeyah Primary School OSHC

Your
OSHC.



A message from your Coordinator

Dear families,

Welcome to Term 2! We are excited to share some of the wonderful experiences planned for the children this term.

Our rocketeers program was a great success, with children having a fantastic time engaging in a variety of fun and meaningful activities and experiences.

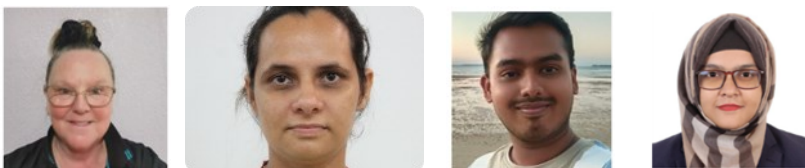
This term highlights- The Big Art Competition, ANZAC day, Level up program and weekly cooking classes (one session each week, catering for both age groups)

We look forward to another fun and engaging term ahead!

Thank you for your continued support.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please don't hesitate to come to have a chat to us or for enrolment information please call 1300 105 343 or email: email@campaustralia.com.au.

We look forward to becoming a valued part of your school community.



WHATS ON Term 2

- Big Art Comp
- ANZAC Day
- Level up program
- World Play Day Handout

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

[Book now](#)

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



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Find out more and book now at www.campastralia.com.au

Darwin Region Sport Education 2026



Upcoming Selection Trials

24-26

MARCH

12 Years & Under Cricket

Boys & Girls
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
at DXC Arena, Marrara

3:30 - 5:00 PM

29-30

APRIL

12 Years & Under Touch Football

Boys & Girls
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
at TRLS, Marrara

3:30 - 5:00 PM

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APRIL

12 Years & Under Tennis

Girls & Boys
Self Nomination form due to Darwin Region Sport Education

NO TRIAL

19

MAY

10 - 19 Years Track & Field

Girls & Boys
Self Nomination form due to Darwin Region Sport Education

NO TRIAL

MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Amanda Macpherson- Darwin Region Sport Education Pathways Coordinator



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Darwin Region Sport Education 2026

Upcoming Selection Trials



19-21
MAY

12 Years & Under Basketball

Boys & Girls
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
at DBA, Marrara

3:30-5:00PM

1-2
SEPTEMBER

15 Years & Under Cricket

Girls & Boys
Self Nomination form due to Darwin Region Sport Education

NO TRIAL

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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

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CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SCHOOL BUS AND FERRY TRAVEL

All Northern Territory (NT) primary and secondary school students can use the ferry and school bus network to travel to and from school.

To ensure that this travel is safe and enjoyable for everyone, the code of conduct must be followed.

Parents are reminded of the [code of conduct for school bus travel](#), and the [code of conduct for ferry travel](#). Please discuss this with your child.

For more information on ferry services and the school bus network, including bus routes and timetables, visit the [Northern Territory Government website](#).

NO MOBILE PHONES OR PERSONAL DIGITAL DEVICES



Students in Northern Territory Government Schools are not permitted to use mobile phones or personal digital devices during the school day, including break times. This requirement reduces distractions and disruptions to learning, encourages social interaction and physical activity, and helps to create a safe environment free from cyberbullying and online content.

This means that students are not permitted to have mobile phones or digital devices in their possession during the school day. Phones need to be handed in to the class teacher at the start of the day.

Breaches of this policy will result in phones being confiscated from students.

Thank you for your support in reinforcing this expectation.

NO TOYS AND VALUABLES

Please note that we kindly ask families to avoid sending students to school with toys or valuable items, including smart watches, as these can easily be misplaced or damaged during the school day.

Any items brought to school remain the responsibility of the student, and the school is unable to accept responsibility for items that are lost or damaged.

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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