



From the Principal...

We are already halfway through Term 1 — a reminder of just how quickly a busy and productive term can unfold. There is a wonderful sense of purpose across the school, and our students have settled positively into their learning routines.

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Our AGM will be held on **Monday, 9 March** at 6:00pm in the library. I warmly encourage all parents and carers to consider taking on a formal role on the School Council. Council Members work alongside me and staff to support our school priorities, contribute to strategic thinking, and represent the voice of our parent community. If you enjoy being involved, sharing ideas, and supporting the continued growth of our school, we would genuinely love to hear from you. Strong parent partnership is one of the greatest strengths of any successful school, and your contribution matters.

Lateness to School

We have noticed an increase in students arriving late to school. While occasional lateness is understandable, regular late arrivals have a significant impact on learning and wellbeing.

EVERYDAY MINUTE COUNTS



The first part of the morning is an important time. Students receive crucial information about the day, settle into learning routines, connect with their teacher and peers, and often begin explicit teaching in key areas such as Reading and Mathematics. Missing this time can leave students feeling unsettled, unsure of expectations, and on the back foot before the day has properly begun.

Strong routines and clarity at the beginning of lessons are essential for effective learning. When students arrive on time, they are calm, prepared, and ready to engage fully. Thank you for supporting your child to arrive punctually so they can make the most of every learning opportunity.

Schedule of Events

Friday, March 6
Upper Primary Assembly
Year 5 Gabrielle

Monday, March 9
School Council AGM
Library - 6pm

March 11 to 23
Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN

Friday, March 13
Early Childhood Assembly
Year 1 Clark

Friday, March 20
Whole School Harmony Day
Assembly - Transition Maia and
Year 5 Jessie

Upper Primary Assembly this week





Our Student Leaders

Last week we proudly presented badges to our 2026 Student Leaders followed by a special lunch with me. It was a special occasion for our school community and a significant milestone for these students. We were privileged to welcome Peter Susanto, who delivered a powerful message about kindness, service, courage and the importance of perseverance — trying, and trying again, even when things feel difficult.

Peter is widely recognised for his leadership and advocacy work with young people and was honoured as the 2024 Northern Territory Young Australian of the Year, acknowledging his contribution to community service and youth empowerment. Our Student Leaders were inspired by his story and his challenge to lead with integrity and heart. We look forward to seeing our Student Representative Council model these qualities throughout the year.

Thank you, as always, for your continued partnership and support. Together, we are building not only strong learners, but strong young people.

Maria Albion
Principal



House Leaders 2026



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Madison & Charlie

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Ned and Rosie

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Ethan & Mali

*Congratulations to our
House Leaders for
2026!*

Easter Raffle Donations

We are seeking donations of Easter eggs/ treats, Easter themed craft, tableware, new books/toys or gift vouchers for our upcoming Easter Raffle. Donations can be dropped in the basket at the Office or at Preschool. Raffle tickets have been sent home with your child and are also available in the office. next week.

The raffle will be drawn on **Wednesday, April 1st.**

Thank you to everyone who has donated. Your support is greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the following businesses for your donations!



Save the date



HARMONY DAY ASSEMBLY
20 March



Join us!

STUART PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Save the Date
Tuesday, March 31st

PARENT MEETINGS

All Parents Invited



Let's connect, collaborate, and support our children's success together.

We share updates, discuss your child's progress, and work together to support their growth.



An online link for booking will be sent on Monday, March 16





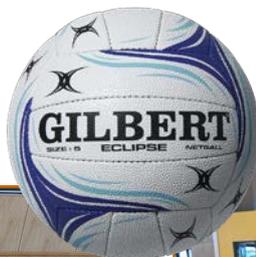
Netball Gala Day



Last Wednesday, Stuart Park Primary was represented by two teams at the Darwin City Netball Gala Day.

Mrs Bury and Mrs Metcalfe joined the year 5 and 6 girls at Marrara Sports Stadium where they played, scored and even umpired several games of netball throughout the day. Stuart Park Primary students demonstrated wonderful sportsmanship both on and off the court and finished first and second in their respective pools which was an outstanding result.

The girls not only enjoyed their sport and their lolly salads for extra fuel, but they also enjoyed the company of our official team mascot, Buddy Bear. Well done on a wonderful day Stuart Park netballers!



TUESDAY CANTEEN SPECIALS



TUESDAY, MARCH 10

CHICKEN OR BEEF NACHOS
AND A JUICE \$8.50

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

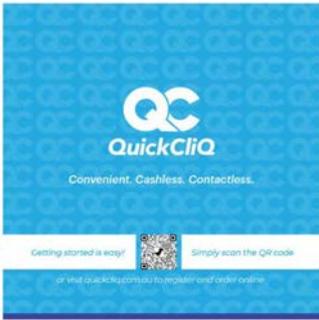
CHICKEN NUGGETS WITH
CHIPS AND A JUICE \$8.50

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

HONEY SOY CHICKEN WITH
RICE AND A JUICE \$8:50

TUESDAY MARCH 31

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\$8.50



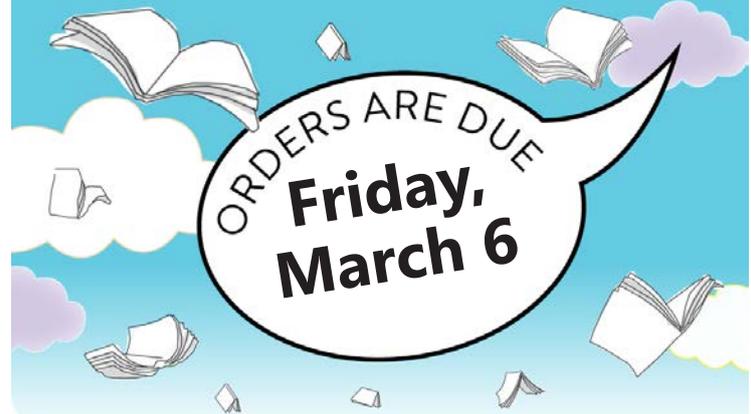
ANNA AND ZAFEIRA'S
CANTEEN



\$8.50 FOR
LUNCH

Providing Value to Families

Book Club



ORDERS ARE DUE
**Friday,
March 6**

SCHOLASTIC **BookClub**

Book Club Closes tomorrow.

For final orders via the LOOP:
[Click Here](#)

**Cash orders need to be
dropped into the office
by 2:30pm**



SPPS School Bus Service

The school is served by two buses. These buses service parts of Stuart Park, Bayview, Woolner, areas in Winnellie and Berrimah and they also transport children traveling on the ferry to and from Mandorah.

Students can use the bus from Year 1 to Year 6. Special permission needs to be requested for Transition students to use this service. It is important that families assist Buslink by reinforcing the code of conduct with their children to ensure everyone can travel safely.

For more information and timetables:

<https://stuartparkprimary.nt.edu.au/bus-timetable/>



Nesting Curlews at SPPS



Iconic Territory birds have taken over one of our playgrounds at Stuart Park Primary School. A pair of curlews settled into the Year 3 playground back in January and have been patiently waiting for their 2 speckled eggs to hatch.

This is the second time curlews have chosen to nest in school grounds, following an earlier visit in the preschool area.

Our wonderful caretakers, Mick and Gail Wells have done a great job of keeping the birds safe. We have even had a visit from ABC Radio who did a special story about our special birds. Thank you to Gail, who represented our school so beautifully in the interview. She said the students love their new friends but can't wait to get their playground back!



[Click here to listen to the interview](#)

After-School Language Classes



CLASS FEES
\$180
PER TERM

EXTRA SERVICES:

BUS PICKUP


BBQ SAUSAGE

Students welcome from Year 1 - Year 12

We offer the following after-school language classes:
Monday: Greek, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish
Tuesday: Auslan, Indonesian, Italian
Wednesday: French, German, Mandarin
Saturday: Mandarin (10:00am - 12:30pm)

Mon-Wed - 4:00pm - 6:00pm
Sat - 10:00am - 12:30pm
Sports Vouchers welcome

Join us now

Contact: 08 8997 7000 | dlc.nt@education.nt.gov.au

www.darwinlanguagescentre.nt.edu.au



SPPS Dental Clinic

Some of you may remember that we have a space on school grounds that previously was used as a school dental clinic.

The clinic has not been staffed in recent years and the school has begun the process of decommissioning this space for other purposes.

For any further information regarding this process, please contact the Principal.

The following advertisements are not necessarily endorsed by the school.

OTWAYS TAE KWON DO AND SELF DEFENCE

Classes are held at Stuart Park Primary School on the following nights

All ages Tuesday 6.30 to 8 pm

All ages Thursday 6.30 to 8 pm

Come and enjoy martial arts with a qualified instructor for self-defence, fitness and fun. Contact Peter on 0427991394.



Come and Try. First two lessons free.

Children's Creative Arts Workshop – Ages 4–9

Looking for a calm, meaningful creative experience for your child?

This Montessori-inspired Sunday workshop supports focus, confidence and independent thinking through guided colour exploration and character mask making in a small-group setting.

□ Mudul-Ma Community Art Room, Coconut Grove

□ Sunday 8 March | 1:00–2:30pm

□ Limited to 8 children

□ \$45 – All materials provided

□ Bookings: mariagrujicicstudio.com

EAST DARWIN STORM HOCKEY CLUB
FAMILY FUN DAY
ALL WELCOME
Saturday 28 March 2026
9am - 12pm
Jingili Water Gardens, Freshwater Rd, Jingili



- FREE come & try hockey
- FREE sausage sizzle
- FREE jumping castle
- Coffee van on-site
- FREE face painting
- Playground



Juniors - Under 8s mixed, Under 10s mixed, Under 13s & Under 16s
Seniors - Premier League, B grade & C grade for men & women

Find us on Facebook & Instagram
East Darwin Storm Hockey Club
www.edhc.com.au



GOOD CLEAN FUN
ALL GIRLS
Jingili Water Gardens
Thursdays 5pm-6pm
Starts March 5th 2026



5-7 years



8-12 years

