



MAKYBE RISE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

every child every day

Defence School Transition Aide

Makybe Rise Primary School has a Defence School Transition Aide (DSTA). The DSTA works to help minimise the impacts of mobility, deployments and parental absences on Defence students. It also aims to build capability within school communities to better support children from military families. The DSTA provides direct and flexible assistance to children, parents, teachers and other support services at the school.

The key activities of a DSTA include:

- assisting children and families to integrate into the new school and local community,
- coordinating appropriate welcome and farewell activities,
- smoothing the transition from school to school and between different education systems (including minimising the impact of relocation on learning outcomes),
- monitoring the social, emotional and academic wellbeing of Defence students,
- helping students develop self-confidence, self-reliance and resilience,
- referring students to services, or school and community programs that meet their needs,
- enhancing awareness and appreciation of the unique Defence lifestyle in schools and communities, and
- providing support to children during times of parental absence.

Further information can be obtained by contacting the school.