



Wongan Hills District High School

Wongarette

Issue 17 4th November 2020



BOOK FAIR IS COMING!!!!

20th - 25th November 2020



School Structure 2021

The funding for the school is primarily based on student numbers. We are required to make sure that we cater for all students fairly and within our budget. Our predicted numbers for next year are slightly lower than this year, the funding will be based on these numbers.

The decisions that we make for classes must meet these financial constraints. Much deliberation and consultation continues to take place within the school to ensure that we make the best decisions possible for a successful 2021 school year.

Staffing will not be finalised for a number of weeks and will be communicated to the school community in the last edition of the Wongarette for 2020

Staffing Changes

Ms Lorraine Starling has decided to move back to Perth to be closer to her family after starting at Wongan Hills in 2012. We wish her all the best for the next stage of her life and thank her for her devotion to the school and general community. We are currently running a process for a teacher to fill the position.

Parent / Carers Survey

The school will be surveying the students, staff and parents/caregivers from Monday 9th November until Friday 20th November. This survey is very important for us to strengthen aspects that are seen as positive and to make improvements to those areas that people see that we need to improve on. The survey information is anonymous and we receive the information on each of the groups responses as a whole. I encourage all parent/caregivers to have a say because the more responses the more valid the data.

We have paper copies of the survey at the front office if you have issues with accessing these online.

Please use the link below to access the survey.

<https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/WHDHS2020ParentSurvey>

Attendance

Student success at school is directly linked to how often a student attends. Regular attendance is 90% which means that a student can only be absent one day a fortnight to maintain regular attendance. This requires parents and caregivers to further support their children to get to school to be able to achieve to their full potential. Lack of attendance does have a significant effect on your children's ability to learn. As the table below shows a child that regularly attends school still misses 4 weeks of school in a year.

Informing the school your child/ren will be absent

There are several ways you can inform the school if your child/ren are going to be absent from school.

- Inform the classroom teacher via email, note in the student diary or verbal communication
- Notify the school office

Phone the school directly 96712300

- Reply to the absentee text message sent out to all parents of students who are marked absent
- Submit an absentee form on the Skoolbag app; this form can be found under the 'eforms' tab on the Skool bag app, once the form is submitted it is emailed directly to the school office notifying the school your child will be absent.



Time missed per:	90% attendance	80% attendance	70% attendance
Fortnight	1 day	2 days	3 days
Term	1 week	2 weeks	3 weeks
Year	4 weeks	8 weeks	12 weeks
After 13 years (YR 10)	1 school year + 12 weeks	Over 2 ½ school years	Almost 4 years

Voluntary Contributions and Charges 2021

School Council has ratified the Voluntary Contributions for 2021 to be:

K to year 6 \$60

Year 7 to 10 \$235

Other possible charges are attached, however are only payable when requested.



Term 4

5	9 th November SIDE VISIT (present and future students)	10 th November Kindy SIDE VISIT (present and future students)	11 th November Our Solar System Incursion K-6 SIDE VISIT (present and future students)	12 th November Kindy	13 th November Kindy
6	16 th November	17 th November Kindy	18 th November Wongarette Year 6 Trans Day Yr 7 Imm	19 th November Kindy	20 th November Kindy Book Fair Parade 9am Book Fair Opens Electives 2020
7	23 rd November Book Fair	24 th November Kindy Book Fair	25 th November Book Fair	26 th November Kindy	27 th November Kindy ILN Maths Day
8 SWIMMING	30 th November ILN Lego League	1 st December Kindy Assembly 9am PP and Rm 1	2 nd December Stay and Play Wongarette	3 rd December Kindy	4 th December Kindy Aussie of the Month Luncheon
9 SWIMMING	7 th December Cadet Camp	8 th December Kindy	9 th December Stay and Play Parent Meeting School Café 9.30am Kindy end of year Celebration	10 th December Kindy	11 th December Kindy
10	14 th December	15 th December Kindy Yr 6 End of Primary Luncheon	16 th December Reports emailed Wongarette Presentation Ass 1.00pm – 2.30pm	17 th December Kindy Students Last Day	18 th December School Office Open 8.30am -3pm



Student Leadership Camp

In Week 2, Mrs Simpson & Miss Peters took 12 Student Councillors and 6 House Captains to Dare Adventure Camp down in Dwellingup.

Our aim on camp was simple: to develop our students to become the Leadership Team we need at Wongan Hills DHS. The way we went about that was through fun, engaging, and challenging tasks or activities that built the confidence of our students.

Throughout the three days, the Student Leadership Team worked together, communicated, delegated and contributed to their team in activities such as kayaking, team games, orienteering, a night walk, archery tag and an obstacle course.

The staff at Dare Adventures gave the students basic instructions or guidelines, after that, it was up to the students to follow those directions and to work with each other to meet the objective. Throughout the camp, it was incredibly rewarding watching our Student Leadership Team grow together and become more confident, resilient, and proud of what they had achieved.

When they weren't being active and involved in the marvellous activities, they were developing strategies for public speaking, creating ideas for future school events, and developing ways to engage more students around the school. It was impressive watching our Student Leadership Team communicate their ideas, brainstorm, problem-solve, and think outside the square for some of these new events.

The Student Leadership Team would like to thank Dare Adventure Camp for providing them this chance to develop their leadership skills and provide life-long learning opportunities.

Watch out for exciting news and information for upcoming events lead by our Student Leadership Team!

**Leadership is not a position
or a title,
it is action and example.**



During Term 3 with Mrs Coughlan, the Pre-primary class have been writing pen pal letters to the Pre-primary students at Dalwallinu DHS. They have sent the letters via email and even walked to the Wongan Hills post office to post a letter!

Last week the Dalwallinu Pre Primary students travelled to Wongan Hills DHS to meet our class and take part in a variety of activities.

With excitement ("we are the luckiest kids in the world" said one student) and nerves ("I'm a bit worried I'll forget all their names" said another) they got ready on Wednesday morning to meet their friends who arrived from Dalwallinu on the bus.

Upon arrival, they listened to stories while eating crunch and sip, they made pizza for lunch, they made pasta necklaces, they played on the Mega playground and they did lots of Discovery play!

Their day went so quickly and they all had a fabulous time.



**Today was good.
Today was fun.
Tomorrow is another one.**
-- Dr. Seuss





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BOOK PARADE will be

9 am Friday 20th November

(dress as your favourite book character or in line with the theme)



WONGAN HILLS DHS

STAY AND PLAY

2021 Kindy Readiness Program

Wongan Hills DHS Stay and Play 2021 Kindy Readiness Program is commencing soon!

The program will run in the K/PP classroom.

Session 1-

*Wednesday, 2nd December 2020
9am -10.50am*

Session 2-

*Wednesday, 9th December 2020
9am - 10.50am*

A parent meeting will be held in the school cafe on Wednesday, 9th December 2020 at 9.30am

Please bring:

- A hat.
- A drink bottle clearly labelled with your child's name.
- A piece of fruit, cut up and in a container clearly labelled with your child's name.





Scholastic
*Arctic
Adventure*
Book Fair
20-25th
November

Book Parade

will be held at 9am on Friday 20th November. Students dress as a character from a book they have read or in line with the Arctic theme. Parents are invited to attend the Parade and then come up to the library to have a browse of the Book Fair without their children. Tea and coffee will be available.



WONGAN HILLS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL
PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

P&C Cakestall...

P&C Office Bearers

Chairperson – Peter Whitfield	0429201254
Vice-Chair – Stefan Crossen	0427913281
Secretary – Karen Box	0428526484
Treasurer – Eloise Brennan	0477116211
Uniforms – Aleisha Coad	0418290886
Catering – Julie Sewell	0429721048

P&C Cakestall

Saturday 14th November
8am – 12noon, Newsagent

This is a great opportunity for those of us with older kids to have them help fundraise for their school by volunteering or cooking. It was great to hear of the mum who made jam with her kids over the weekend, with some of the jars headed for the stall.

Roster so far:

- 8-9 Eloise & Karen
- 9-10 Amber &
- 10-11 Amber & Faye
- 11-12 Karen &



Those who have offered to cook so far: Eloise B, Amber S, Karen B, Cherene G, Renae M, Sara B, Megan R, Kate W.

Cakes, slices, jams, fresh produce can be dropped off at the school front office on Friday afternoon between 2 and 3.30pm or to the raffle on Saturday morning. Thanks everyone!

Contact: Karen Box on 0428526484 or 0455060050 or wonganpc@gmail.com.

***All Funds Raised go directly to projects at
Wongan Hills DHS to benefit our kids.***



WONGAN HILLS SWIMMING CLUB REGISTRATION DAY



Come down to the pool on Thursday 5th November at 4pm to register for the 2020-2021 season. Make sure you bring your bathers as you'll be getting in the pool! We're hoping to see lots of new swimmers and of course to welcome back our returning members.

Come and be a part of an amazing club, we'd love to see you down there.

Any queries or for a registration form (also available on the day) email

Kate at wonganswimclub@gmail.com

THE DENTAL VAN IS HERE!

The Community Dental van will be arriving in Wongan Hills on the

9th November 2020, visiting until March 2021.

Dental Staff will be contacting parents to arrange appointments in the coming weeks.

New students will receive enrolment forms through the school, please complete and return the paperwork to the school office as soon as possible.

The dental van will be closed over the summer school holidays from 17th December 2020- 31st January 2021. Due to the visit being split up we will be focusing on treating the high school students first this year. If your child is having any dental issues or toothaches please contact the van to book in for urgent treatment.

Operating hours are

Mon: 11am-5.30 pm

Tue-Thurs: 8am-5.15pm

Fri: 8am-1.30pm

We look forward to hearing from you,

Dr Belinda & Nurse Katelyn

Ph: 0419 965 006



Dental Health Services



Would you like to be involved in FIRST LEGO League WA 2020?

Are you into LEGO? Do you enjoy robotics? Do you want to inspire young people to participate in science, technology, engineering and maths? FIRST LEGO League (FLL) is a volunteer-driven event and we need your help to make this event possible.

FIRST LEGO League teams – made up of 9-16 year old students – will be researching solutions for real-world problems. They must also design, build and program their robot using LEGO MINDSTORMS® technology and compete with other teams. Your help in judging, refereeing, scoring and crowd control is serious business but you will have an amazing day full of fun and laughter!

Where are the competitions?

St Stephen's School, Sat 28 Nov
Atwell College, Sun 29 Nov
Champion Bay SHS Geraldton, Sun 29 Nov
Wongan Hills Civic Centre Mon 30 Nov
Gooseberry Hill PS, Wed 2 Dec
Aveley Secondary College, Thu Dec 3
Armadale SHS, Sat 5 Dec
Kalgoorlie-Boulder Community High School,
Sat 5 Dec
National WEST Finals, Curtin University
Saturday Dec 12

Prior FLL experience is not necessary.
Training provided.

To find out more about FLL visit the
following link to our program web page:
bit.ly/CurtinFLLInfo

To register your interest as a volunteer:
bit.ly/FLLWA2020vols

Make tomorrow better

Telephone 9266 5815
t.keely@curtin.edu.au

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WHDHS 2021 Voluntary Contributions and Charges 7–12

Voluntary Contributions	7	8	9	10	11	12
English	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00		
Maths	\$28.00	\$28.00	\$28.00	\$28.00		
Science	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00		
Humanities and Social Science	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00		
Phys Ed	\$34.00	\$34.00	\$34.00	\$34.00		
Health	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$8.00		
The Arts	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00		
T & E General						
T & E Home Economics	\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00		
T & E Design and Technology	\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00		
T & E Computer Literacy						
Electives	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$37.00		
TOTAL	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Voluntary Approved Requests						
P and C (per family)	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
Chaplaincy (per family) * only when chaplain is employed.	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
Library (per student)	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
TOTAL	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Charges						
Senior School Program 11/12 SIDE and/or Integrated students *Pending course selection a max charge of \$1500 may apply.					\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Electives	\$100 per semester/ per option	\$100 per semester/ per option	\$100 per semester/ per option	\$100 per semester/ per option	\$100 per semester/p er option	\$100 per semester/ per option
Ethics 7-12	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Interm Swimming						
TOTAL	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$1,520.00	\$1,520.00



WHDHS 2021 Optional Charges

Optional Charges	K	P	1	2	3	4	5	6
Excursions	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$240.00
Incursions	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
Camp - Yr 6								\$500.00
ICAS testing				\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00
Leadership Activities							\$500.00	\$500.00
School Magazine - Wonga	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
Cadet Activities								
Transition T-Shirts/Jumper								\$45.00
Student Council Shirts							\$45.00	\$45.00
Hat (Kindy Only)	\$10.00							
Country Week - Camp								
Country Week - Uniforms								
Career/SIDE camp								
Art and Craft Equip K-6	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
TOTAL	\$155.00	\$145.00	\$145.00	\$345.00	\$345.00	\$505.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,595.00

Optional Charges	7	8	9	10	11	12
Excursions	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00
Incursions	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$95.00	\$95.00
Camp - Yr 6						
ICAS testing	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00
Leadership Activities	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
School Magazine - Wonga	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
Cadet Activities	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
Transition T-Shirts/Jumper				\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Student Council Shirts	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00
Hat (Kindy Only)						
Country Week - Camp	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Country Week - Uniforms	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Career/SIDE camp					\$600.00	\$600.00
Art and Craft Equip K-6						
TOTAL	\$2,285.00	\$2,285.00	\$2,285.00	\$2,435.00	\$3,035.00	\$3,035.00