Wongan Hills District High School
# WONGARETTE
ISSUE 16 2026

From the
## PRINCIPAL'S DESK
with Fiona Yeats

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday 21st October our school was involved in our Public School Review which occurs every 3 years. We received a 3 year return in all areas (Relationships & Partnerships, Leadership, Learning Environment, Resources, teaching Quality and Student Achievement & Progress. They were particularly impressed with what has been achieved in the Relationships and Partnership domain. The full report will be available late this term and placed on our website early next year after staff have worked through the report at the beginning of the year.

Thank you the families who made a point of coming in and seeing our student work display at the Reynoldson Festival. An awful lot of time and effort goes into creating this display and from spending most of the day in the Function Centre with our display on the Saturday, it is obvious how much delight students take in showing parents and grandparents their work. Community members comment particularly on the amazing artwork on display. Upper primary and secondary students also sold items which they had made at school - the Quandong jam is always a great hit as it is so hard to source. We still have some granola ($5), plant seeds ($1 per packet) and seasoning ($8) available for sale from the office. Cash only.

We are excited to have secured Orbit Zone as our activity for the end of Term 3 reward for our secondary students. We have been wanting to 'increase the stakes' for secondary students who have maintained Good Standing, attended school at least 85% of the time and worn uniform regularly to school. This event will occur on Tuesday 17th November after lunch, if it goes well we are hoping that this will be able to continue as a reward activity option for our older students.

Last Thursday our school chaplain, Phil Glossop organised an amazing breakfast for students, parents and staff. There were bacon and egg muffins, pancakes, orange juice and barista coffee for the adults. There were also games and activities to keep students entertained. I would like to say thankyou to YouthCARE for this amazing initiative, to our parent and community helpers on the day and to the families who donated eggs. A great time was had by everyone.

We would like to say thank you to Steve Whyte, outgoing school board member, and welcome to Jade O'Connell who is taking Steve's place. We are still short of parent representatives on our board, please watch out as nominations will again be called for. early next year.

It was disappointing to have to cancel our School Formal. We are especially sorry for those students who may have already purchased clothing for the event. We just did not get enough ticket sales to make the event viable, even with an extension of the deadline and a big push for sales. Events such as this take lots of planning, hence why we need to know numbers attending nice and early.

Parents – don't forget, you need to present student's attendance certificate at the Shire to be able to get your FREE pool pass. With in term swimming lessons starting for primary students on 23rd November and our Cadets doing some water based sessions at the pool early November, please make sure you organise to get your pass sooner than later.

Fiona Yeats
Principal








# School News


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COME ALONG AND GET INVOLVED
All members of the community are welcome to join us with a range of activities and experiences showcasing CadetsWA and the Emergency Service Cadet Corps.
FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2026
4PM - 7PM
WONGAN HILLS SPORTS PAVILION
Strategic Volunteer and Youth Programs
volunteer.youth@dfes.wa.gov.au
(08) 9395 9410

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# WONGAN HILLS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

# 2027 SCHOLARSHIPS

## Applications open Wednesday 21st October

**Attention all current Year 6 - 11 students and their parents/carers:**

The Wongan Hills community continues to support our students by offering a number of scholarship opportunities for all students who will be in **Years 7-12 in 2027** at Wongan Hills District High School.

**Applications close: 3pm Friday 6th November 2026**

Please contact the school for further information on 96712 300.

Scholarship application packs are available from Wednesday 21st October on the school website and from the school office.

Wongan Hills District High School would like to thank the following organisations for their contribution to the scholarship program.

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# READING MILESTONES

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS FROM YEAR PP-6 WHO HAVE REACHED A READING MILESTONE LAST FORTNIGHT.

| 50 nights | 100 nights | 150 nights | 200 nights | 250 nights |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rylan House | Lexi Gibson | Riley Goulden | Trixie Dodds | Jessica Gibson |
| Ariel Ashwin | Charli McCallum | Sam Hood | Ted Metcalf | Will Millsteed |
| | Amiyah McGill | Aaliyah King | Zayne Oliver | Phoebe Thenander |
| | Lincoln Read | Jack Pontifex | Daisy Dodds | Hannah Lowden |
| | Chase Benjafield | Ella Barney | Owen Liebenberg | |
| | Benjamin Lance | | Nylah Jones | |
| | Kayla Ranger | | Ruby McGill | |
| | Alice Elliott | | Ivy Rawlings | |
| | Hudson Johnson | | | |
| | Hartley O'Connell | | | |
| | Joey Oldmeadow | | | |
| | Lucas Storer | | | |







CONGRATS!

LIBRARY NEWS

# Scholastic Book Fair

## 13th, 16th & 17th November

It's Term 4 and we're excited to be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair in the library!

As we held our Book Parade in Term 3, we will not be holding one in Term 4 — but this is a wonderful opportunity to browse and pick up some Christmas presents!

🎄 *Come along and find the perfect gift!* 🎄

We look forward to seeing you there.

📚 Your School Library Team 📚

# 2026 WONGA
## Cover Competition

**2026 WONGA COVER COMPETITION**
**STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO DESIGN THE WONGA COVER IN THE THEME OF**




**1st Prize-**
**Your design will be the cover page for the 2026 WONGA and you will win a FREE WONGA!**

**2nd Prize -**
**Will feature on the back of the 2026 WONGA**

**Entry forms available from the front office on Wednesday 4th November.**

**Competition closes:**
**Friday, 27th November**
**Entries to the front office**

# 2026 WONGA

## Cover Competition Entry Form




Competition closes Friday, 27th November

Name- _____

Room- _____

# 2026 WONGA

Colour Me Christmas

## It’s time to put in your order for the 2026 edition of the WONGA

The WONGA is the Wongan Hills DHS year book; all classes contribute to this publication capturing the year that was.

**Don’t miss out on this slice of Wongan Hills DHS history!**

We are only printing copies for which we have orders, so don’t miss out!

**The 2026 Edition of the Wonga will not be published and distributed until Term 1 of 2027.**
**This will allow for ALL events, including the Presentation Assembly, to be included.**

If you are leaving the school at the end of 2026 and wish to order please include your forwarding address on the order form.

Orders are due by:
Wednesday, 16th December 2026, Week 10

Online order form

*Please note the WONGA was not included in the voluntary contributions, if you have paid your voluntary contributions in full you will still need to place an order and pay for a WONGA.

# 2026 WONGA

## Order Form

Colour Me Christmas

## ORDERS DUE BY WEDNESDAY 16th December 2026

Name: _____

Class: _____

I would like to order ____ WONGAs at $35 each.

I will not be attending WHDHS in 2027, please forward my Wonga to:

(Please enter your forwarding address)

_____

I have included payment of $

I will EFT payment of $

EFT Payment details:
Wongan Hills District High School
BSB: 036 177
Acc: 160549

Online order form

Department of Education
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# Gifted and Talented

## Secondary Selective Entrance programs

**Bring out your child's exceptional creativity and academic talent with our unique Gifted and Talented programs.**

If your child is in Year 5 in 2026, you can apply now for entry into Year 7 in 2028. Limited places may also be available for children entering Years 9, 10 and 11 in 2028.

**Apply online: education.wa.edu.au/giftedandtalented**
**Applications close 6 pm on Friday 5 February 2027**

**For more information: 9264 4307 • gtsu@education.wa.edu.au**

Is your child entering Year 7 in 2028?
Applications for Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance programs are now open!

If your child is entering Year 7, 9, 10 or 11 in 2028, applications for Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance programs are now open.

Your child will learn alongside like-minded peers and follow an extended curriculum designed specifically for their needs.

These exceptional academic, arts and languages programs are available at select public secondary schools. This includes a fully selective academic school and an arts college.

Information about the programs, study options for metro and regional students, and upcoming parent information evenings can be found at the website www.education.wa.edu.au/gifted-and-talented.

Applications close 6 pm Friday 5 February 2027. Late applications are not accepted.

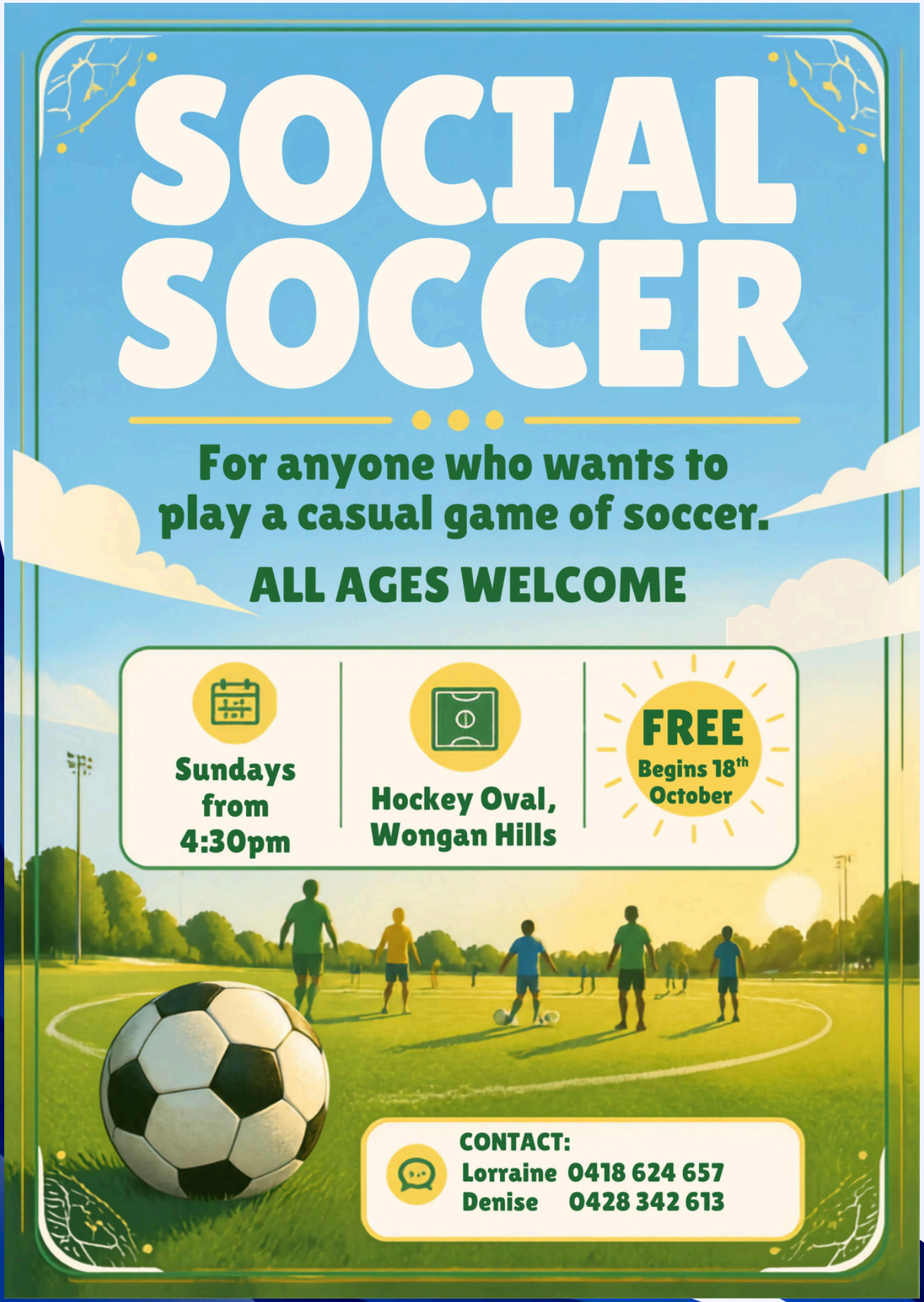
# Wongan Hills District High School

OFFICIAL Term 4 2026 **TERM PLANNER**

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday<br>WPL Year 10 | Thursday | Friday | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 12th October | 13th October | 14th October | 15th October | 16th October | |
| | Term 4 Commences | Kindy<br>School Chaplain<br>School Health Nurse | School Chaplain | Kindy<br>School Chaplain<br>P&C Sock Day | Frozen Fridays<br>(after 1st Lunch) PP-12 | |
| 2 | 19th October | 20th October | 21st October | 22nd October | 23rd October | |
| | Kindy<br>School Psychologist | Kindy<br>Kindy Transition<br>School Health Nurse<br>School Psychologist | Wongarette<br>PUBLIC SCHOOL REVIEW<br>Scholarship Assembly<br>Scholarships Open<br>(Yr 6 – 11) | Kindy<br>Student Council Event –<br>Wild with Water K-12<br>3:00 – 4:15pm | Yr 12s last day<br>Frozen Fridays<br>(after 1st Lunch) PP-12<br>Secondary Formal<br>"Masquerade Ball" | |
| 3 | 26th October | 27th October | 28th October | 29th October | 30th October | |
| | P & C meeting<br>6pm Library | Kindy<br>School Chaplain<br>School Health Nurse<br>School Psychologist | School Chaplain<br>ATAR exams commence | Kindy<br>Staff Yearbook Event<br>School Chaplain | Frozen Fridays<br>(after 1st Lunch) PP-11<br>World Teacher's Day | |
| 4 | 2nd November | 3rd November | 4th November | 5th November | 6th November | 7th November |
| | Kindy<br>School Psychologist | Kindy<br>Kindy Transition<br>School Health Nurse<br>School Psychologist | Wongarette | Kindy<br>Assembly 9am<br>– Dwert 7 | Frozen Fridays (after 1st Lunch PP-11<br>Scholarships Close | Yr 12 Leavers Dinner |
| 5<br>PAT Testing | 9th November | 10th November | 11th November | 12th November | 13th November | |
| | School Board Meeting<br>6:30pm Library | Kindy<br>School Chaplain<br>School Psychologist<br>Everyday Matters | School Chaplain<br>Secondary Information Session<br>Year 7s 5:30pm | Kindy<br>School Chaplain | Book Fair 8.30 – 3:30<br>Frozen Fridays<br>(after 1st Lunch) PP-11 | |
| 6 | 16th November | 17th November | 18th November | 19th November | 20th November | |
| | Kindy<br>Book Fair<br>8.30 – 4:00<br>School Psychologist | Kindy<br>Kindy Transition<br>School Psychologist<br>Book Fair<br>(8.30- 3pm)<br>Everyday Matters | Wongarette<br>Scholarship Interviews<br>Yr 6 orientation day | Kindy<br>Scholarship Interviews | AOM luncheon<br>Year 11 Students last day<br>Year 8 – 9<br>SALT Career Taster<br>Frozen Fridays<br>(after 1st Lunch) PP-11 | |
| 7<br>Swimming lessons PP-6 | 23rd November | 24th November | 25th November | 26th November | 27th November | |
| | | Kindy<br>School Chaplain<br>School Psychologist<br>Everyday Matters | School Chaplain | Kindy<br>School Chaplain | Frozen Fridays<br>(after 1st Lunch) PP-10 | |
| 8<br>Swimming lessons PP-6 | 30th November | 1st December | 2nd December | 3rd December | 4th December | |
| | Kindy<br>School Psychologist | Kindy<br>Kindy transition<br>2027 Kindy Parent Meeting in the library 9am -11am<br>School Psychologist<br>Everyday Matters | Wongarette<br>Seniors Christmas lunch | Kindy<br>SIDE Graduation | Frozen Fridays<br>(after 1st Lunch) PP-10 | |
| 9 | 7th December | 8th December | 9th December | 10th December | 11th December | |
| | Cadet Camp | Kindy<br>School Chaplain<br>School Psychologist<br>Everyday Matters<br>Nyingarn Concert & Picnic Dinner | School Chaplain<br>Year 6 end of year Celebration Day<br>Northam Aquatic Centre | Kindy<br>School Chaplain | Frozen Fridays (after 1st Lunch) PP-10 | |
| 10 | 14th December | 15th December | 16th December | 17th December | 18th December | |
| | Kindy<br>Presentation Assembly Practice 9-11am<br>School Psychologist | Kindy<br>Road Smart Incursion Yr 7-10<br>Presentation Assembly Practice 9-11am<br>School Psychologist<br>Year 6 Celebration Afternoon<br>1.45pm -3pm<br>Reports Emailed | Wongarette<br>Presentation Assembly<br>Civic Centre<br>9:30am – 11:00am | Kindy<br>Last Day of School<br>End of term reward | School Development Day<br>Students Do Not Attend | |

STUDENTS PARENTS STUDENT SERVICES

# Community News



# POP-UP YOUTH CENTRE

# BASKETBALL Competition



GREAT PRIZES UP FOR GRABS

FREE EVENT !

AGE: YEAR 5+

SNACKS AND DRINKS PROVIDED

**FROM 3PM**
**WEDNESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER**
**WHDHS BASKETBALL COURTS**

SIGN-UP AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

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Wongan Hills Community Resource Centre

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# Everyday Matters

## a fun lunchtime program starting 10th November

Games Activities Craft Bible Stories

**Day, Place & Time:** Tuesdays (last 5wks of each term). Bring your lunch to the music room.

**Pick up your permission slip here:** One form needed each year. Spares in front office.

# Online Parent Seminars

Positive parenting for stronger families

Access Support and Build Skills

PRACTICAL SUPPORT FOR EVERYDAY PARENTING

**Join us for a series of online seminars, co-hosted with the Department of Education's School Psychology Service.**

Learn practical strategies based on positive parenting principles to support your child's development, confidence and wellbeing.

## Week 2

### Starting School Successfully

Kindergarten Transition
(ages 3–6 years)



Wednesday 21st October
1.30–2.30pm

Scan to register
Use your phone camera to join this online seminar

## Week 5

### Doing Well in High School

(ages 11–16 years)




Wednesday 11th November
7pm to 9pm

Scan to register
Use your phone camera to join this online seminar

## Week 7

### Healthy Screen Times

(ages 0–12 years)



Wednesday 25th November
12pm–1.30pm

Scan to register
Use your phone camera to join this online seminar

## Week 8

### Making and Keeping Friends

(ages 0–16 years)



Wednesday 2nd December
7pm–9pm

Scan to register
Use your phone camera to join this online seminar



All parents and carers are welcome!