

## Wongan Hills District High School



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## **Our Solar System**



Ningarn- Echidna Constellation - Outline





#### Staffing 2021

We have completed the recruitment processes for two teaching staff for 2021 and I am pleased to announce that Miss Lesley Arthur has been appointed as our primary teacher and Miss Meredith Kinsella has been appointed as our early childhood teacher. I am very pleased with the number, and calibre of the applicants we had for both positions.

#### Parent / Carers Survey

This is a reminder that the school is surveying the students, staff and parents/caregivers for the rest of this week. 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/ WHDHSParentSurvey2020

#### School Structure 2021

As previously stated 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. Currently our numbers have changed from our initial planning and we are expecting more students in 2021. The incoming student's year groups have made us have to reconsider our class make up for

next year. The increased number of Kindy students has meant that it will be a straight Kindy class as has been communicated to the community previously. Due to the lower number of Pre-primary students we need to have a PP/ 1 class which is not something that I have previously had to consider. We will also have a year 1/2class which aligns with our current structure. It is planned to have a meeting with the current Kindy and Pre-primary parents in the library on December 1<sup>st</sup> after the morning assembly. Can I please request parents to send questions by Email to Marshall Karen o n Karen.Clark2@education.wa.edu.au or myself on Bruce.W.Nind@education.wa.edu.au so we can give informed answers and enable everyone the opportunity to seek clarification. The decisions that we make for classes must meet our financial constraints and we will continue to deliberate and consult to ensure that we make decisions possible for a successful 2021 school year.

#### Book Fair

Book Fair commences on Friday, 20th November, opening with the Book Fair Parade in the under cover area at 9am. Parents are invited to attend the parade however we do remind our parents / carers to practice social distancing . The Book Fair will then be open in the library for parents to view after the parade.



## A TRIP TO PERTH ZOO

On Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of November the Pre-Primary students had an extra early start, meeting at school at 7.30 am for a trip they've been waiting for all year!

We had the best bus driver who put up with our awesome singing all the way there and most of the way back. Thanks Mrs Simpson! When we arrived at the Zoo we were very excited to explore the nocturnal house and see the Penguins. After that we were lucky enough to take part in an experience with a Perth Zoo staff member. We read a story, dressed up and had a bush party! After our experience was over we all sat together to eat lunch! There were lots of other schools there too. Finally we spent the afternoon in our groups lead by Mrs Bradford, Mrs Simpson, Mrs Thenander and Miss Gordon exploring all the other animals. I think a few of us thought the Sun Bear was the best!

After exploring the Zoo, we hopped back on the bus and drove to Mundaring Sculpture Park. We all had a fabulous time climbing the big spider web, going down the slides and zooming on the flying fox.

Once we got back on the bus for the final trip home, there were lots of snoring children!

Thank you so much to Mrs Bradford, Mrs Simpson and Mrs Thenander for making this trip so fantastic! Thank you to Mrs Coughlan for supporting me in organising the trip and staying back with the Kindy students. And a huge thank you to the Wonderful PP Students whose behaviour was amazing for the entire trip!





### **Our Solar System**

Last Wednesday night members of our school community were able to enjoy a beautiful evening of Star Gazing on our new grassed oval. Our visiting Astronomer, Rick Tonello, of the Gingin Gravity Discovery Centre commenced with a digital presentation introducing the constellations, clusters and planets that we would be viewing. Once we knew what we were looking for we were able to look through the five telescopes! Saturn was a stand-out attraction on the evening, looking completely surreal from the telescope view. A far away star cluster was also amazing. Rick explained that the cluster we were seeing was so far away that the light had taken thousands of years to reach Earth. Thank you to all the families that supported our Star Gazing. It was a memorable night.





## Astronomy Night at Wongan Hills DHS







#### Pond Water and Microscopes!

Pond water starts out clean and looks super cute when you add your fish and your perfectly selected plants. Soon however it begins to change colour starting on the sides then the green starts building up from the bottom forming layers of bubbling pond scum before it gets your attention and once that gooey mess has made an appearance of course all Mr Dougall can think is 'awesome microorganisms for year 7 science!'

Microorganisms are simple, single celled organisms and are only visible under a microscope and Mr Dougall's pond water contained thousands of these organisms in just one drop which certainly made it easy for students to find once they got the hang of the microscopes.

In pairs, students were given the challenge of using the microscopes and finding arthropods such as copepods, crustaceans, tardigrades, insect larvae and water mites. With words being bandied around the science room like tension adjustment, course focus and illuminating lens I was starting to believe I was in the presence of real microbiologists.

Let me finish by saying pond water may look stagnet and definitely smell foul but wow it's a super interesting hive of activity under a microscope.

Mrs Hasson





## **School Community Notice Board**

Dear parents and care givers, The Art Department at WHDHS are seeking donations of old or unwanted working hair dryers to assist students in the creation of their artworks. We are not looking to borrow. If you have one rattling around taking up space we would love to take it off your hands. Thank you regards the WHDHS Art

Teachers



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.

#### 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 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020- 31<sup>st</sup> 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





#### 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.







## **BOOK FAIR IS COMING!!!!**

## 20th to 25<sup>th</sup> November

BOOK PARADE will be

9 am Friday 20th November

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





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.



## **School Community Notice Board**

# FIRST LEGO League

#### 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

Curtin University

FIRST

Prior FLL experience is not necessary. Training provided.

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

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

#### Make tomorrow better

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









Make sure you don't miss out on the SUPER fun Disney themed movie night! The entry is free and there will be a candy bar open and dinner (Hot Dogs \$5.00) & drinks for sale!

This super fun movie night will be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November. It will start at 5:30pm for dinner, movies will start at 6.15 till 9:00pm. All movies will finish at different times. Please check below for the finishing time of your moviel

The Kindy to Year 3's will be watching: Zootopia

Estimated finish time: 8.15pm





The Year 4–6's will be watching: Wall–E Estimated finish time: 8.30pm

## The High Schoolers will be watching: Black Panther (Rated M), BFG



## Estimated finish time: 8.40

(PG)

Permission must be given to view Black Panther. It can be found on SkoolBag. If unable to access SkoolBag, please email sarah.peters2@education.wa.edu.au





#### WHDHS 2021 Voluntary Contributions and Charges

Voluntary Contributions	К	Р	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Voluntary Contributions	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	5 \$14.00	4 \$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	-		11	12
English Maths	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$28.00	\$28.00				
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Science Humanities and Social Science	\$14.00	\$14.00		\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	\$30.00	\$30.00				
	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$10.00 \$2.00	\$10.00 \$2.00	\$10.00 \$2.00	\$8.00 \$2.00	\$8.00 \$2.00	\$8.00 \$2.00	\$25.00 \$34.00	\$25.00 \$34.00				
Phys Ed			ŞZ.UU	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.00	Ş2.00		-	-			
Health The Arts	ć2.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	¢2.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$8.00 \$5.00	\$8.00 \$5.00				
T & E General	\$3.00 \$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00		
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T & E Home Economics						\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$19.00	\$19.00				
T & E Design and Technology						\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00		
T & E Computer Literacy									607.00	407.00	607.00			
Electives	400.00	440.00	Aco 00	Aco. 00	450.00	450.00	450.00	469.99	\$37.00					40.00
TOTAL	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$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	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$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	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$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	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$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	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$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
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Electives									option	option	option	option	er option	option
Ethics 7-12									\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Interm Swimming		\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00						
TOTAL	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$1,520.00	\$1,520.00
Optional Extra Charges														
Excursions	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$340.00
Incursions	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00			\$40.00	\$95.00					
Camp - Yr 6	340.00	340.00	Ş40.00	Q40.00	340.00	340.00	340.00	\$500.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	355.00	355.00	355.00	\$35.00
ICAS testing				\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$170.00
Leadership Activities				\$170.0U	\$170.00	\$170.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00				\$500.00	
School Magazine - Wonga	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00				\$35.00	
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Cadet Activities								\$45.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00 \$150.00	\$400.00 \$150.00	
Transition T-Shirts/Jumper							CAE DO		Ć 4E 00	É AE DO	Ć 45.00			
Student Council Shirts	£10.00						\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00
Hat (Kindy Only)	\$10.00								ć500.00	ć500.00	ć500.00	(E00.00	6500.00	ĆE00.00
Country Week - Camp									\$500.00				\$500.00	
Country Week - Uniforms									\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	
Career/SIDE camp		A	44	4	41	41	4	4					\$600.00	\$600.00
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	\$2,285.00	\$2,285.00	\$2,285.00	\$2,435.00	\$3,035.00	\$3,035.00