

NEWSLETTER 17th August 2017

# DATES TO REMEMBER

- Tuesday 29th August 6.30pm Board Meeting
- Wednesday 30th August ELC— Yr 2 Father's Day Morning
- Saturday 9th September Trivia and Games Night 6.30pm
- Tuesday 19th September 6.30pm Board Meeting
- Wednesday afternoon 20th September Creative Dance Moves Performance all years—Parents are welcome to attend
- Thursday 21st September Creative Dance Moves Assembly
- Thursday 21st September -last day for students
- Saturday 25th November Twilight Carols & Christmas Market

# PRINCIPAL

#### **Dear Parents**

I am currently reading a book titled 'Spoonfed Generation- How to raise independent children' by Michael Grose. Michael is one of Australia's leading parenting and educational writers and speakers.

In 'Spoonfed Generation', Michael explains the importance of children's independence and the vital stages to letting go. He argues that never before has a generation been so dependent on their parents and suggests now it's time to remove the spoon and put it back in the drawer.

Michael says the following in his book;

"It is well established that parents currently do too much for their kids. Before driving their kids to school each morning most parents wake up their children and make their breakfast and lunch, before reminding them to get dressed and clean their teeth. All this may make for an easier life at home but it encourages children to be dependent on adults for longer. This is the exact opposite of what generations of parents have done in the past, which is to develop their children's independence and achieve the most important parenting outcome of all – their own redundancy.

Independence-building has always been the cornerstone of effective parenting, but over the past few decades we've lost our way. While parents mean well by protecting their kids, it's better in the long term to teach them to solve their own problems rather than resolve all their difficulties for them."

Michael gives great ideas for raising independent and resilient children and my copy is available to anyone who would like to read it.

BOARD

#### Dear Quintilian Community

Our Year 6 class leaves for its annual Canberra camp on Saturday. No doubt a few of the students will share the nervous excitement that my daughter experienced in the lead up to her Year 6 camp last year. The week long trip is something of a rite of passage within the school and, if history is anything to go by, the students will return with increased selfconfidence and resilience, and a huge sense of achievement. So good luck to teachers Anne and Rebecca and their parent helpers, but I'm sure you won't need it.

Thanks continue to our Events Committee and all those who helped to make the 100 Days Breakfast Event such a big hit within our school community. You can view all the photos on our Facebook page if you weren't lucky enough to be there.

I should also mention that we have just four tables left for the Trivia and Games Night on Saturday 9th September. We'd love to see you there, dressed up and ready to play, for what will be a fun packed evening.

Finally, you may have seen Neil's email re trialling a 3 week mid-year break in 2018 and 2019. We've asked for responses by Monday 21st so there is still time for you to consider the proposal and provide feedback. Many thanks to those families who have already taken the time to respond.

Warm regards

Peter Robinson

Chair of the Board

**Neil Collins** 

# TRIVIA & GAMES NIGHT - Sat 9th Sept.

#### We should have booked a bigger venue!

The tables are selling fast and there are now only a few left—with over 150 people coming already!

No knowledge (although it might help) needed, just a desire for a good fun night of games and a bit of trivia thrown in.

Prizes are still flowing in, thanks to our amazing supporters. If you also own a business and have a good or service you wish to donate to the night or any other donations please contact Sue-anne at <u>events@quintilianschool.wa.edu.au</u> so that these can be collected and details added to our "Thank You Board" and info on the night.

If you wish to come, but do not have enough for a table, we can also help—let Sue-anne know as we have a couple of tables who would love to make new friends as they have spots free.

If you are not interested in the Trivia but would love to come along and help out, we are also looking for four (4) helpers for the night to join the Events Committee—we need you! Please contact Sue-anne for more information.

Table bookings can still be made (BUT HURRY) and platters can be purchased until 1st September via

#### https://www.trybooking.com/291813

Information will be sent shortly to all those who have booked regarding parking, team themes and table names etc.

Prizes and silent auction items include holidays, garden clean ups, dance lessons, books, dinners, Maggie Dent online Course, cooking class and long table lunch for 8 people, adventure tours, cash prizes, food, wine, clothing, music lessons, drama classes, movie tickets, Rottnest Ferry tickets, school holiday activities, sporting goods, and more. The list is growing every day, so it will be hard not to go home without something!

Thanks to the generosity of Claremont Quarter (Hawaiian Group) one lucky person will also be walking away from the night with a 1 hour training session for up to 30 kids with the Perth Wildcats! Now if that is not a great birthday party idea I do not know what is!



# XMAS MARKET & CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Our November 25th Xmas Market and Carols By Candlelight is in full planning and the Xmas Craft Club were busy last term with some incredible works of art and craft being made for the stalls. A long list of more ideas has already started in club this week. We are still taking donations daily and the boxes can be found around the school. In particular we are seeking:

Old crayons

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- Old books in good condition for our book surprise stall
- New nail polish
- Lego people in very good condition
- 2 litre plastic milk containers
- 1.25 litre plastic soft drink bottles
- Wine, non-perishable food items
- Baskets or boxes we can use for hampers
- Vouchers and/or donations for hampers.

Our Book Surprise Stall is just one we are planning. For this we need your old loved books that are in excellent condition—any topics and for all ages please—these will be wrapped with a small description for you to take home and enjoy.



There will also be plenty of time in

the near future to put your own craftiness or just helpfulness into practice, as volunteers for various activities will be needed shortly.

If you have a favourite pudding or Xmas Food recipe you are happy to make up for our Food Stall please let us know at events@quintilianschool.wa.edu.au, as we are ready to get cooking and storing these items.

# **NEW ELC FRIDGE**

Thanks to your amazing support for Freezing Fridays we have been able to replace the very old ELC fridge with a much needed fridge/ freezer. This makes life so much easier for our ELC staff and children. We are also very close to our new main kitchen freezer so stay tuned for its arrival in the near future.

Thank you to Reona & Ferris who are alongside in this picture.



### LIBRARY NEWS

Next Week is **Bookweek** and the excitement is mounting!

**Bookweek Dress up Parade** will be Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August. Dress up as you favourite book character. The theme is 'Escape to Everywhere' so costumes may also relate to places you escape to with a book or cultural dress.

**Book Fair** – buy a book for our Library, have your name put inside it for all to see and be the first to borrow it home to read once it is catalogued and covered. How good does that sound?

The book titles have been requested by the children and are very popular so be quick to get the book you want!

A pop-up book store will be set up in the room next to the Library and books will be available for sale before and after school every day of Bookweek. No need to bring cash, credit card facilities will be available or we can add the cost of the book to your school account. Prices are very reasonable and we also gain a credit to purchase more books in the future. We really appreciate any purchase you make. Thank you all in advance! Look forward to seeing you all in costume next week. Library Liza



Just an update for everyone to say that all the new students who came to Debbie from Natalie are settling in really well. Debbie has carried on Natalie's style of teaching as well as mixing in her own. The children have been great. Debbie has also been doing a little 'window dressing'.... so take a look and see if you can see your child/ friend's picture up in the window. They are also starting to learn pieces for a little concert in Term 4, a mixture of classical, modern and Christmas carols so watch out for more info later in the term. Debbie still has a few places left if your child is interested in learning to play, just email her at : actonedramaperth@gmail.com

# YR 6 CANBERRA CAMP

On Saturday the Yr 6 class head to our Nation's Capital for the much anticipated Canberra Camp. Their stay will include tours of Parliament House, The War Memorial, The High Court, The National Gallery and Questacon before spending two fun filled days skiing in Thredbo.

This week, they received their Canberra Camp/ Leavers T-shirts, designed and voted on by the children.



# FRIDAY COFFEE MORNING 8.15–9.15am

**Daisy Wheel Coffee will be here for Friday morning 18th August** on the soccer oval. If it's raining Phyllis will be in the sports shed undercover area serving coffees, teas, hot chocolates and snacks.

## **CREATIVE MOVES DANCE**

Students from PP – Yr 6 have been working with Rachael Bott from the Creative Moves WA. Each class will perform an original piece on the afternoon of Wednesday 20th September and families will be invited to come and watch. Details of performance times are to be confirmed and will be communicated in the next newsletter. Sarah Williams (PE Teacher)









# IPSHA CROSS COUNTRY

Last Thursday 23 runners from years 3 - 6 competed in the Annual IPSHA Inter-school Cross Country at John XXIII.

All that running training certainly paid off!

Running club continues until Week 9 on Thursday mornings.





**TERM 3, 2017** 

(as of 17th August)

dates and times may change

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Week- end
	14 August	15 August	16 August	17 August	18 August	
<b>5</b> Science Week	First Aid Training K-6	ICAS Maths First Aid Training K-6	K- Brownes Exc. Yr 6 Parliament House 1.30pm	PP outdoor classroom Science Week Activity Whole School	Yr 1 Assembly Yr 1 Funky Fit Yr 5 & 6 Touch Football pm	
6	21 August	22 August	23 August	24 August	25 August Book Week Parade	26 <sup>th</sup> August Saturday Tournament
Book Week	Yr 6 Canberra Camp	Yr 6 Canberra Camp Chess Club Comp. Yr 4 Camp Meeting	Yr 6 Canberra Camp	Yr 6 Canberra Camp K- Father's Day Incursion	Yr 6 Canberra Camp Yr 5 Touch Football PM	of Minds Yrs 5-6
7	28 August Kaboom Percussion Inc. Sheddies-Yr 6	29 August Board Meeting 6.30pm	30 August ELC- Yr2, 9-10am Father's Day Staff Meeting	31 <sup>st</sup> August	1 September PPMel Assembly Yr 5 & 6 Touch Football PM	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept Father's Day
8	4 September	5 September	6 September Yr 6 Francis Burt Centre AM Yr 5 Camp	7 September PP outdoor classroom Yr 5 Camp	8 September OTRM Assembly Yr 6 Touch football pm Yr 5 Camp	9 <sup>th</sup> Sept. Saturday Night Trivia Night Starts 6.30pm
9	11 September Morning Tea ELC	12 September	13 September Staff Meeting Yr 1 Camp Yr 4 Camp	14 September Yr 1 Camp Yr 4 Camp	15 September Yr 6 Assembly Yr 1 Camp Yr 4 Camp Yr 3-6 Robotics	
	18 September	19 September	20 September	21 September	22 September	
10		Board Meeting 6.30pm	Parents welcome- Creative Moves Afternoon performances PP-6	Creative Moves - Dance Assembly END OF TERM	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	

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Hello Everyone

Quintilian is once again participating in the Annual City to Surf on the Sunday 27th August, and the link to register and receive a 15% discount is below:

https://secure.tiktok.biz/team/perthcitytosurf/2017

The team name is Quintilian School and the password is quintilian. The code to receive your 15% discount is SCHLP0402

Regards

Lisa Thomas

