



## NEWSLETTER 11 May 2018

### BOARD

Dear Quintilian Parents,

On Wednesday night the Board held a strategy session with our wonderful staff. This was a follow up to a similar session held last year. Whilst the Board and staff are always looking for ways to improve our school environment, these sessions allow us to take stock of existing strategies and identify priorities for our school in the four core areas of Student Wellbeing, Staff Wellbeing, Learning Environment and School Community. Themes coming out of the brainstorming session included investigating the opportunity for further specialist teachers, ways to continue to improve student resilience and mindfulness, as well as enclosing all or part of our under-croft area where we hold our bi-annual pantomime. As the parent body for our school, we are always open to engaging with our families to ensure we truly represent the views of our community. Please feel free to approach any of the Board members at our school events, or if you would prefer, you can send me an email [richard\\_s@inet.net.au](mailto:richard_s@inet.net.au).

Those who have been around the school in the past two weeks would agree that the children's response to the new fort has been euphoric. For those interested, the school has put up the funds for the cost of this addition to our infrastructure, which will be reimbursed by targeted fundraising over a 5 - 7 year period. We have already started this process from funds raised last year. I view this as our legacy to the school that our children will enjoy in the meantime.

Lastly, you will read in this newsletter an article from Sally Thompson, a Quintilian Alumni, who has kindly shared her Quintilian memories with us. Sally's story is the result of an initiative the Board commenced late last year, to reach out to past students in the hope of running a series of stories in the School's monthly newsletter. We have asked the alumni to answer the questions in a manner that will assist current students to connect with the School's history as well as potentially helping map a career pathway for some of the older students.

For those who are going, I look forward to catching up with you at Rotto (is Roger Federer still there?).

**Richard Stegena**  
Chair of Board



### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Friday 18 - Sunday 20 May**

**Wednesday 30 May**

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**Wednesday 6 June**

**Friday 22 June**

**Friday 29 June**

Quintilian Rottneest Family Weekend

Midweek Munchies

Cyber Safety Parent Workshops:

**Invite a friend - open to the wider community.**

**Day session 12:30-3:00pm or**

**Evening session 5:30-8:00pm**

Whole School Pasta Day

**School Disco**

**Students Last day of School Term 2**

### PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

I have received an extraordinary amount of positive feedback about our new fort from our staff, parents and most importantly our students. The design process commenced approximately twelve months ago and the builders worked into the night and on weekends during the recent school holiday break to have the fort ready for day one of Term 2. There is still a spiral/turbo slide to be installed and we plan to add this towards the end of May.

I wish to inform parents that the fort has been architect designed, engineer certified and the plans were sent to WA Kidsafe for approval prior to construction. I have now asked WA Kidsafe to visit the school to see the final construction and to provide feedback on any further safety measures we need to put in place.

I have received some feedback from parents about a few safety concerns they have with particular areas of the fort and I will be raising these with WA Kidsafe. We will be enclosing the bridge walkway from the main fort to the turret area with wood and adding wood to the turret platform, which currently has netting.

This term we have an amazing range of activities and clubs operating before and after school and your children will enjoy the variety.

I hope to see you at our Rottneest Family Weekend and I am confident that we will have superb weather this year.

**Neil Collins**  
Principal





## ROTTNEST FAMILY WEEKEND

**Friday 18 May to Sunday 20 May 2018**

Excitement is building as our annual Rottnest Family Weekend draws ever closer – just **7 more sleeps** to go!

Our special **Quintilian Rottnest Booklet** will be emailed out to families next week: packed with special vouchers to use over the weekend, diary of events, contact lists and competition details. Keep an eye out for it!

Below is a brief overview of planned events:

### Friday 18

4:30 – 7:00pm Sundowner  
@ Family Fun Park and Mini Golf  
*Bring a bottle opener!*

### Saturday 19

1:00 – 2:15pm The Golden Quokka Hunt - meet @ the park next to the Bakery *Bring a pencil!*

2:30 – 3:00pm Presentations @ the Rottnest pub

3:00 – 4:00pm Sandcastle Competition judging @ 4pm

4:00 – 5:30pm Kids' buffet dinner –  
*pre-purchased tickets only (by 16 May)*  
<https://www.stickytickets.com.au/68422>

See below for full details.

6:30 – 7:30pm Movie – Peter Rabbit – Rottnest Movie Hall.

Please send your **Rottnest Unit Numbers** to your class reps ASAP so a contact list can be compiled for the weekend.

If you want to book for 2019:

**Rottnest Friday 17 – Sunday 19 May 2019**

## KIDS' BUFFET AT ROTTO PUB

Tickets must be purchased prior to Wed 16 May.

*No sales on the night.*

## Quintilian School Children's Buffet Rottnest Hotel 4pm to 5.30pm

Take the hassle out of ordering on Sat 19 for your kids by pre-purchasing a ticket for the Children's Buffet.



Classic meat lasagne  
Oven baked fish fingers  
Green salad  
Battered crunchy chips  
Buttered greens  
+ Kids size drink

Tickets must be purchased  
*prior to Wed 16 May*  
via the link below.  
*No sales on the night.*  
The Rottnest Hotel menu  
will be available for non-  
ticket holders and adults.

Tickets \$15.00 per child (12yrs and under only.)

<https://www.stickytickets.com.au/68422>

•Please specify any dietary requirements when purchasing your tickets.

•Please note this is not an all-you-can eat buffet. One ticket represents one child's entry for the Buffet - tickets are non transferable to other guests. Adult supervision is required.



**ROTTNEST WEEKEND**  
**18<sup>TH</sup> TO 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018**

**Friday Night Sundowner**

Activities and fun for all the family

**Golden Quokka Hunt**

**Sandcastle Competition**

Relax and enjoy the fun that is the Quintilian Rotto Weekend

## ROTTNEST FERRY DISCOUNTS

### • Rottnest Fast Ferries

**20% DISCOUNT CODE: QUINTILIAN**

[www.rottnestfastferries.com.au](http://www.rottnestfastferries.com.au)

[reservations@rottnestfastferries.com.au](mailto:reservations@rottnestfastferries.com.au) Ph: 08 9246 1039

### • SeaLink Rottnest Island Ferry

[www.sealinkrottnest.com.au](http://www.sealinkrottnest.com.au)

Ph: 1300 QUOKKA (1300 786 552)

**20% DISCOUNT CODE: QUINTILIAN18**

### • Rottnest Express – Fremantle and North Port

<https://www.rottnestexpress.com.au/book-ferries>

Ph: 1300 467 688

**25% DISCOUNT CODE: QUINTILIAN180518**

WA Kids aged 4 to 12 can join the *Rottnest Express Quokka Club* and travel with us to Rotto free of charge. Infants and children under the age of 4 travel free and do not require a Quokka Club Membership. <https://www.rottnestexpress.com.au/quokkaclub.html>





## EVENTS



Cyber Safety Workshop

## PARENT EDUCATION SEMINARS

### Seminar 1 : Cyber Safety Wednesday 30 May

Invite a friend! This seminar is open to the wider community at two convenient times. The sessions are repeated so you don't need to attend both.

Presented by Kayelene Kerr from WA Child Safety Services.

#### Times:

12.30pm - 3.00pm - Parent Workshop 1

3.30pm - 4.30pm - Staff Workshop

5.30pm - 8.00pm - Parent Workshop 2

Cost: \$10 Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/VPPE>

#### Location:

Afternoon sessions: Quintilian Engineer Maker Space room.

Evening session: Quintilian School Hall.

Wine and cheese on arrival.

Please arrive early so each session can start promptly.

## COFFEE MORNINGS

### Coffee Mornings Fridays 8.30 til 9am

Join us for a warm coffee, tea or hot chocolate (and a muffin too!)

Or

Grab a hot drink  
on the go!



@the School Kitchen

## FREEZING FRIDAYS

### Freezing Fridays are Back for Term 2

All your favourites

Smooze \$1.50, Juice \$2/\$3,

Jelly Cups \$1.50

School Kitchen on Friday Lunchtimes

## FLOORBALL WINNERS

The Year 1 Floorball team; **"The Q Flashes"** played an awesome season, finishing top of the ladder. The team work, good sportsmanship, enthusiasm for the game and weekly training was fantastic.



## ENTERTAINMENT BOOK SCHOOL FUNDRAISER



The 2018/2019 Entertainment Book (or app) is out! Buy now and support our school. Books are available from reception once you've ordered online.

BOOK HERE: <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/839a33>

### NOW AVAILABLE AT QUINTILIAN SCHOOL



Just  
**\$70**  
giving you over  
**\$20,000**  
of value!

2018|2019 Entertainment Books & Digital Memberships are HERE! To order head to:

[www.entbook.com.au/839a33](http://www.entbook.com.au/839a33)

HEAPS of exciting new local contact — including over 100 restaurants and activities in the South West and 50+ businesses in BAL!!!!!!

20% of every membership purchased goes to our fundraising!  
Thank you for your support!

You might like to view the virtual book and have a look through what's in the book online - <https://online.flippingbook.com/view/866062/>



## 2019 TERM DATES

### Term 1

Staff PD Mon 4 February  
Starts Tuesday 5 February  
Ends Friday 12 April

### Term 2

Staff PD Mon 29 April  
Starts Tuesday 30 April  
**Rottneest Friday 17 – Sunday 19 May 2019**  
Ends Friday 5 July

### **3 Week mid-year holiday break**

### Term 3

Staff PD Mon 29 July  
Starts Tuesday 30 July  
Ends Friday 27 September

### Term 4

Staff PD Mon 14 October  
Starts Tuesday 15 October  
Ends Friday 13 December

## CHESS CLUB UPDATE

### CHESS

Quintilian is fortunate enough to be hosting a Chess Tutor for those students who have progressed further than our chess club level.

Pushpinni - Chess Emperor, will be working in the Maker Space room at lunch times on Wednesdays (starting from Wed 16 May).

The cost is \$5 per session (30mins 12:30-1:00). Pushpinni will be showing students specific strategies and introducing tournament game play.

Please contact either Susan (in Year 5)

or Pushpinni on 0469 339 858.



## P PLATE PIANO & DRAMA CLUB SUCCESS

What a wonderful Drama Club we had in the holiday's with the children performing a scene and two songs from **My Fair Lady**. Absolutely stunning! A great Tea Party rounded of the week. Looking forward to the next holiday club in July. Book now to avoid disappointment. Email: [actonedramaperth@gmail.com](mailto:actonedramaperth@gmail.com)



Well done Lily for an amazing P Plate Report in Piano. The examiner was overwhelmed with Lily's wonderful performance. Contact Debbie: [actonedramaperth@gmail.com](mailto:actonedramaperth@gmail.com) if you would like to book your child in for Piano Lessons, Drama Club or the Holiday Drama Programme.

## ON THE RUN MUSIC



**ON THE RUN MUSIC**

**ANNUAL CONCERT**

at the **CIVIC HOTEL**

**24th June**

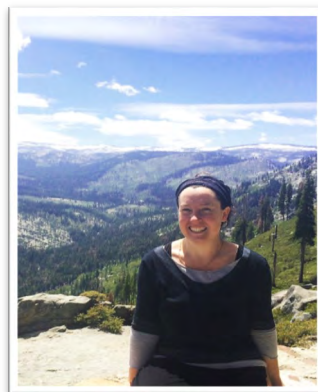
Doors open: 11am  
Event starts: 12 Noon

Live entertainment  
Face painting  
Prizes  
Raffle  
Food for purchase on the day  
Free soft drink for family bookings

For ticket pricing or to register a performance please visit:  
[www.ontherunmusic.com.au](http://www.ontherunmusic.com.au)

# Sally Thompson

## Associate Professor, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Berkeley University, USA.



*Quintilian Alumni Sally Thompson at a field site in Yosemite National Park.*

### When did you graduate from Quintilian?

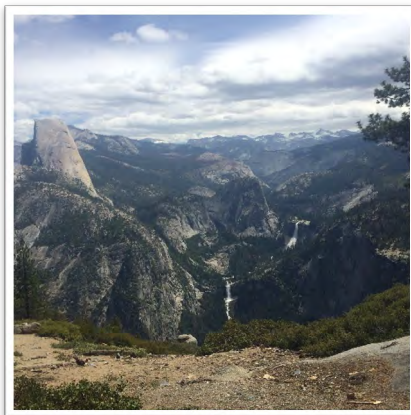
At the end of Year 3 - 1988!

### Where do you live now?

Berkeley, California. That's about 10 km away from San Francisco City - when I take the dog walking I stare straight out to the Pacific Ocean through the Golden Gate Bridge. That view still makes me pinch myself!

### What do you do in your profession?

There are 2 parts of my profession - on the one hand I'm a "Professor" at a university here in Berkeley. With that hat on, I do research, teaching and work in the administration of my academic department and the university. The other part of my profession is that I'm an "environmental engineer" - specifically a hydrologist. Environmental engineers work to provide people with things like clean water and sanitation, clean air and waste disposal. Hydrologists study the water cycle and try to make predictions about what water will do - are we at risk of floods or droughts? will there be enough water to keep plants and water-living animals alive? is there enough water in a river to use it to e.g. make electricity? is there a risk of chemicals getting into water supplies? These are the kinds of questions that hydrologists try to answer. So most days I'm teaching, chatting to students, marking tests and sitting on committees -- but the stuff I'm thinking about is water in the environment.



*Yosemite National Park, USA.*

### How did you end up becoming an Associate Professor in Civil and Environmental Engineering?

By accident! I was originally an engineer in Perth, and decided to do a PhD to make my company realize that they needed to give me more interesting work! As I was figuring out where to do that PhD, a friend sent me an advertisement for a scholarship called the **General Sir John Monash Award**, which would allow me to study overseas. I applied, got the scholarship, and started research at Duke University in North Carolina. (If you know where New York city is - head south, past Washington DC, and you'll get to the state of North Carolina.

No one in Australia had any idea where I was going when I went there!). In a PhD you mostly do scientific research, and it turns out that I'm pretty good at that and enjoy it a lot, so by the end of my studies I was getting a lot of encouragement to look for a job in a university. I hoped to move back to Australia and actually had taken a job at a university in Sydney when a position opened up at Berkeley - which is the best university in the US to do environmental engineering work. I never expected they'd hire



*Looking out across the SF Bay to the Golden Gate Bridge from the Berkeley campus. The pointy building at the front of the image is the Berkeley Campanile (bell tower). I think its the third highest belltower in the world (sorry Richard Court!). The students here make a joke to unsuspecting tourists that in the event of a major earthquake it is designed to fall over and slide down the hill towards the bay, providing a convenient means of escape for anyone who can clamber onto it. I'm yet to see a tourist believe this story, but I always enjoy overhearing it.*

me - but they did! - and I've been here for 6 years now. The people I get to work with here at Berkeley are amazing - I still can't believe how fortunate I am to be able to do my work in this community of thinkers and doers.

### What makes you excited about going to work each day?

Some days I know we're going to do something really fun and thought provoking in class.

Some days I know I'm going to learn something really new and exciting from our research.

Some days there's cake in the coffee room (I can get pretty excited about cake).

Not every day, but some days, work involves wading through a pristine river, camping in the mountains or spending a day in a vineyard in the Napa Valley as we start to measure what's going on with water in those places. Those days are definitely exciting (especially when there's a bear or mountain lion in the area).

Just about every day I'm excited to spend time with the students who do their research with me. They're positive, diverse, brilliant and genuinely good people. They are the absolute best thing about my job.

### What are some of your fondest memories of Quintilian?

When we got the first bus! It was a surprise for all the kids - we drove to Shenton Lake for an outing. The bus had a "new car" smell and the seats were all soft and clean. I'm sure they didn't stay that way for long. Once we had the bus we went out for at least one excursion every week. I've still got a book of photos (somewhere) that we made after a Pre-Primary visit to a farm. The teachers must have been exhausted, but the kids were exhilarated.

When we got to start learning science - we started by learning about electricity. I felt so grown up learning how the electric circuit we had worked to turn a light globe on and off. We were so excited to start learning that stuff.

Bush dances with the Mucky Duck bush band. But I think every kid at school in Perth in the 1980s probably has fond memories of a bush dance with the Mucky Duck bush band, those guys got around!

Not a memory, but one of the best things I have taken with me from

Quintilian is the friendship of my Pre-Primary and Year 1 teacher, Yvonne Moore. I just saw Yvonne at my brother's wedding - she still hangs out with my mum and we catch up when I get back to Perth. She's a beacon of warmth and goodness, and how amazing that she's still in our lives after more than 20 years

### What would you say to children learning at Quintilian today?

Quintilian makes learning fun. Hold onto that fun and you'll be enjoying yourself for your whole life.



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# Cyber Safety Workshop

Presented by:



WA Child Safety Services  
Creating Safer Communities

*"Brilliant – Should be compulsory!!"*

**Date:** Wednesday 30 May

**Times:**

- 12.30pm - 3.00pm - **Parent Workshop 1**
- 3.30pm - 4.30pm - **Staff Workshop**
- 5.30pm - 8.00pm - **Parent Workshop 2**

**Location:** Afternoon sessions: Quintilian Engineer Maker Space room.  
Evening session: Quintilian School Hall.

Wine and cheese on arrival. Please arrive early so each session can start promptly.

**Cost:** \$10

**Bookings:** <https://www.trybooking.com/VPPE>



Teach your children how to safely navigate in the online world.

- An overview of the online world including current Australian statistics and trends, apps commonly used by children and young people and relevant age restrictions.
- Specific information about online gaming, photo and video sharing, sexting/nudes, online grooming, pornography, inappropriate content and cyber bullying.
- Information about protecting personal information online, digital footprint, digital reputation and the laws in Western Australia.
- Information about parental controls and restrictions, balancing online time and establishing boundaries and expectations.

#### Parent Feedback

"Great presentation – Every single parent, regardless of their child's age should take this workshop. The internet is here to stay and we need to know how to keep our kids safe." <https://wachildsafetysservices.com>

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SCHOOL**



## TERM 2 2018

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>2</b>	MAY 7 Yr 4 – Duyken Excursion 10-1PM	8 Yr1 Herdsman lake 9-1pm Yr1 Funky Fitness 2-2.30pm Board Meeting – 5.45pm	9 Mother's Day Gala Sheddies to Year 2 9-10am Grass Area Board Staff Workshop 3.30pm-5.00pm	10 PP Penguin Island 9:15-2:30pm Yr 2 Martial Arts	11 Assembly: Yr 1 Mothers' Day • Coffee 8.30-9.30am • Freezing Fridays Pre-Kindy Mothers Day Newsletter	12	13 Mother's Day
<b>3</b>	MAY 14 Yr 2 State Library Excursion Yr1 Kings Park 11-12.30 Sheddies Dinosaur Incursion	15 NAPLAN Yr1 Funky Fitness 2-2.30pm	16 NAPLAN Class Reps meetings at 2.15pm and 3.30pm Staff PD Bounce Ed/ZooWhiz	17 NAPLAN Yr 2 Martial Arts	18 No Assembly today No coffee or Freezing Friday due to Rottfest Weekend Half school day for Rotto Weekend	19 Rotto Weekend	20 Rotto Weekend
<b>4</b>	MAY 21	22 Pre-Kindy Music Incursion Yr1 Funky Fitness 2-2.30pm	23 Simultaneous Story Reading around Australia	24 Yr 1 Worm Farm Incursion Sheddies Mud Play incursion! Yr 2 Martial Arts	25 Assembly: Music Michelle • Coffee 8.30-9.30am • Freezing Fridays Yr 5 Art Gallery Excursion 9.30-12.00	26	27
<b>5</b>	MAY 28	29 9am ICAS Science Test Yr1 Funky Fitness 2-2.30pm	30 Midweek Munchies 12.30-3pm Cyber Safety Parent Workshop 1 3.15-4.30pm Cyber Safety Parent Workshop 2 5.30-8pm Cyber Safety Parent Workshop 2 TRYBOOKING LINK Music Teachers Meeting	31 Modcrosee Yr 4 – 1pm-2pm Yr 3 – 2pm-3pm Martial Arts Yr 2 Newsletter	JUNE 1 Assembly: WA DAY Mandy • Coffee 8.30-9.30am • Freezing Fridays Yr 3 Zoo Excursion Crazy Hair Day! Gold coin donation for Cystic Fibrosis Yr 5 Orienteering 1 - 2.30pm	JUNE 2 LONG WEEKEND	3 LONG WEEKEND
<b>6</b>	JUNE 4 WA DAY HOLIDAY	JUNE 5	6 Whole School Pasta Lunch	7 Sheddies Excursion Modcrosee Yr 4 – 1pm-2pm Yr 3 – 2pm-3pm Yr 2 Martial Arts	8 Assembly: Year 6 • Coffee 8.30-9.30am • Freezing Fridays Yr 5 Orienteering 1 - 2.30pm	9	10
<b>7</b>	JUNE 11 Yr 5 Herdsman Lake 9-1pm	12 9am ICAS Writing Test PP Indigenous Excursion Kings Park 9-2pm Board Meeting – 5.45pm	13 9am ICAS Spelling Test Yr 2 Shipwreck Museum Excursion	14 Modcrosee Yr 4 – 1pm-2pm Yr 3 – 2pm-3pm Yr 2 Martial Arts Yr 2 & 4 Planting 9-11.30am	15 Assembly: Sporty Sarah Yr 1 & 6 Planting 9-11.30am • Coffee 8.30-9.30am • Freezing Fridays OPEN MORNING Yr 5 Orienteering 1 - 2.30pm	16	17
<b>8</b>	JUNE 18 Yr 3 & PPA (Mel) – Planting 9-11.30am	19 Yr 3 & PPB (Emmy) – Planting 1-3pm	20	21 Year 6 IPSHA Winter Sports Carnival – JTC Sheddies Wildlife Incursion Yr 2 Martial Arts Newsletter	22 Assembly: Year 5 • Coffee 8.30-9.30am • Freezing Fridays Yr 5 Orienteering 1 - 2.30pm School Disco	23	24
<b>9</b>	JUNE 25	26	27 Sheddies – Excursion	28 Yr 2 Martial Arts	29 Assembly: FRENCH • Coffee 8.30-9.30am • Freezing Fridays	30	JULY 1
	3 WEEK HOLIDAY	3	4	5	3 WEEK HOLIDAY	7	8
	3 WEEK HOLIDAY	10	11	12	3 WEEK HOLIDAY	14	15
	3 WEEK HOLIDAY	17	18	19	20	21	22

This holiday will run from Saturday June 30 through to Monday July 23, 2018. With Term 3 commencing on Tuesday 24 July

## TERM 3

<b>1</b>	JULY 23 Staff return	JULY 24 Students return Yr 6 Constitutional Centre 9-12noon	25	26 School Re- Registration Day - Visit all day.	27	28	29
	30	30	1	2	3	4	5
		9am ICAS English Test		Newsletter	Year 3 Assembly		