



QUINTILIAN
SCHOOL



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We are privileged to be entrusted with the most crucial years of your child's education and development.

At Quintilian, we believe that our unique enquiry-based philosophy nurtures students and empowers them to become confident, compassionate, and well-rounded individuals. We embrace the Quintilian educational philosophy, a timeless approach that focuses on the holistic development of each student.

Our education goes beyond instructional teaching; we incorporate the development of character, critical thinking, and highly effective communication. We have integrated this approach into every aspect of school life, creating a truly transformative learning experience for our students leading to an exceptional educational experience for all.

We aim to maintain small class sizes, which allows our teachers to know, understand and cater to the needs of all learners. All children are made welcome, and we encourage them to ask questions about local, national and global topics. Social skills including public speaking, physical health, sport, STEM and the arts are vital in preparing children for life and their place in society.

Our partnership is a collaboration between students, parents and educators. Quintilian believes in the importance of involving parents in the education process, and we strive to maintain lasting partnerships with families through daily enquiry learning, regular exciting events, excursions and annual camps such as the renowned Rottnest family camp.

Our alumni remain a key feature of our school. We invest in our students, their families and their futures beyond primary education. Quintilian students transition into independent and public high schools with the confidence, skills and knowledge to thrive in the next stage of their education. Some of our students receive scholarship places, and these schools regularly comment on the exceptional quality of Quintilian children.

We look forward to welcoming you on a school tour to see our excellent child-centred facilities and our innovative pedagogy. To book a tour please call 9383 4274.

Elliott Hateley, Principal

A DISTINGUISHED HISTORY

Quintilian School was established in 1975 by a committed group of parents and educators who saw the need for a small, community-orientated and non-denominational school. After starting life in a compact, rented hall the school moved to its permanent 1-acre campus in Mount Claremont in 1992.

The school is named after the Roman educator, Marcus Fabius Quintilianus, who advised that different teaching methods should be applied to suit the different characters and abilities of individual students. He strongly believed that students who know the value of play, feel liked and respected by their teachers, and enjoy their studies will be far more likely to achieve the best that they can: wise teachings that form the main core of our Quintilian School approach today.

As a not-for-profit organisation all income is used for the direct benefit of the Quintilian community.

OUR TEAM

We are excited to welcome families and to work together for a common purpose: to provide each child with the best possible experience and educational outcomes.

In a rewarding and highly professional operating environment, our cohesive team delivers a whole-school and whole-child approach to learning.

Equipped with outstanding credentials our teachers have current knowledge and a genuine interest and desire to work collaboratively with children to pursue their learning through engaging and interactive lessons.

A number of specialist teachers (currently Music, French, Physical Education and Library) work alongside our generalist classroom teachers to deliver an all-round educational experience.

Learning area co-ordinators ensure continuity and consistency of programs across all cohorts. These include: Early Learning (PK - Year 2), Primary (Years 3 – 6), Literacy, Numeracy, Inclusive Education and Wellbeing. Education Assistants work alongside our teachers across the school and are assigned to the points of need at any given time.

A strong administration team effectively oversees, leads and co-ordinates the whole school. An open-door policy is operated and parents and staff alike are welcomed in to have conversations that are pertinent to them at any time.

The Quintilian Board is responsible for the governance of the school. It is comprised of six current parents and, in an ex-officio capacity, the principal, bursar, deputy principal and a staff representative.



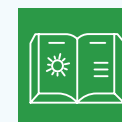
QUINTILIAN VALUES



Accept and celebrate the diversity of our students, parents and staff.



Nurture in each child resilience, self-motivation, self-confidence and self-discipline.



Inspire a lifelong love of learning.

OUR APPROACH

Quintilian teachers plan engaging and creative lessons in line with the expectations of the WA Curriculum. The day-to-day experiences of school are enriched by drawing on the resources of community and cultural groups, our parent body, and by visiting a wide variety of local places of interest. We provide the educational standards and skills of learning that will equip individuals to confidently take on the challenges of later schooling and life in general.

Regular excursions, annual class camps (Yr 1 – Yr 6), and 'out of the box' thinking foster resilience, confidence, and a sense of fun and camaraderie within the school community. Curiosity and problem-solving skills are also developed through our holistic, integrated curriculum.

Wellness programs are designed to explain, discuss and instil respect and tolerance for ourselves and others, and to promote resilience, self-motivation, self-confidence and self-discipline in all our children. Students are encouraged to speak up and share their feelings, opinions and ideas, which are carefully listened to and given serious consideration.

We promote an open door policy across all classrooms and parents are invited to join in and assist with lessons, camps, excursions and social activities when they can. The strong partnership developed between home and school is fundamental to our success.



A QUINTILIAN EDUCATION

A Quintilian education builds and nurtures resilient and confident children: they are happy, content young people, with a strong sense of belonging to a community that embraces them for who they are and who they aspire to be.

Planning follows the WA State Curriculum ensuring solid academic foundations that align with the critical knowledge areas taught in high schools, making the transition for our students positive and calm.

Our teachers are encouraged to deliver the curriculum in interesting and varied ways by drawing from the best pedagogy styles and up-to-date knowledge available. They value the opportunity to be flexible so they can plan and design activities to capture the interests and learning styles of their particular cohort and so encourage a life-long love of learning in their students.

THE EARLY YEARS (PRE-KINDY TO YEAR 2)

Our Early Childhood Centre has its own purpose-built buildings and exciting outdoor play area. A warm and nurturing home-like atmosphere creates a natural transition into school life for our youngest learners. Being situated slightly apart from the hustle and bustle of the main school helps our pre-school children feel safe and secure as they develop their confidence and independence away from home.

The Early Childhood Centre encompasses Pre-Kindergarten (3 year-olds) to Year 1 (6 year olds). The teachers' planning follows the Early Learning Curriculum and has a focus on play-based learning - stimulating an interest in and understanding of literacy, numeracy and social skills.

The Year 2 building is part of the main school but the teachers meet and plan with the ELC cohort for many activities, whilst also working within the guidelines of the WA Curriculum for Year 2.



A QUINTILIAN EDUCATION

PRIMARY SCHOOL

For most children, the middle years of primary schooling is a time for consolidation. Teachers introduce children to activities that promote skill development, social interaction and teamwork. Developing the whole child is valued highly.

Literacy and Numeracy continue to be a main focus of every day teaching. Knowledge, skills and understandings in Music, Science, HASS, Physical Education and the Arts are further developed and environmental and sustainability initiatives encourage and build empathy for local and global care.

Information technology is an integral part of the classroom experience, and high-level skills are mastered during the middle years. All classrooms have interactive smart boards and students have regular access to desktop computers, laptops, iPads and Chromebooks.

PREPARING FOR HIGH SCHOOL

We prepare our upper primary students with the skills that they will require to be successful in their secondary education, and in life. Many of our children operate well above the expected level and graduate with scholarships for the larger independent schools, or awarded places in Academic Extension Programs in the public high school system.

Feedback from local schools and from our alumni shows that Quintilian students arrive at high school confident in themselves, their abilities and their place in the world.



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

By providing children with an educational experience that goes beyond the classroom, Quintilian enables children to develop socially, emotionally, spiritually, intellectually and physically. In this way, Quintilian prepares children not only for school, but for life.

FACILITIES

- Classrooms enable maximum natural light and plenty of interaction between students and teachers.
- Specialist teaching areas for music, computers, language programs, library and sports.
- An inviting and extensive library which is open to our students during lunch.
- A modern, undercover multi-sport gym.
- A large undercover area where all our students eat together.
- An award-winning playground and play areas for different age groups and interests include chickens, frog bog, vegetable gardens, sensory paths, and climbing trees.

WELLBEING

The Quintilian approach encourages curiosity and problem solving and aims to enrich the day-to-day experiences of school by drawing on the resources of a wide range of community and cultural groups and the parent body.

Integral to this is our commitment to wellbeing and a holistic approach to the physical, emotional, and social development of our students.

Wellbeing underpins every aspect of schooling from the ability to learn in class, to building positive relationships and learning resilience and other important life skills for the future. Wellbeing is what helps our students thrive in all aspects of life. We have a number of programs that promote this, including the Cubs Program, Kimochis and the URStrong Program.

THE ARTS

Art and creative expression is integral to our teaching at Quintilian. Creative skills and techniques are developed throughout all year groups and are nurtured in all forms, whether through language, performing arts, music or visual arts.

We encourage a love of music and many of our children participate in private instrumental programs. In addition, we currently offer piano, flute, clarinet, violin, guitar, band, singing, and drums during school.

Every second year the school presents a large-scale musical production that involves all students from our 3-year-old Pre-Kindergarten students to our Year 6 graduating class.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Taking part in fitness activities is vital to children's health and wellbeing. Sports builds healthy bones and muscles, increases fitness, improves cooperation skills and boosts self-confidence.

We are lucky to have a specialist sport teacher at Quintilian, and children are introduced to a range of disciplines and activities. Additionally, many of our students participate in local sports clubs.

CAMPS

Camps are a unique and vital part of the experience at Quintilian from Pre-Primary to Year 6. Teachers, students and parents thoroughly enjoy the educational and life-lesson opportunities they provide.

It is crucial for children to occasionally break the bonds of a family group to build their independence and ability to operate on their own or with different people. Children learn the worth of working together and treating others with respect. Our teachers can also embrace teaching at a school camp in new and innovative ways.

Annually, in May, Quintilian runs its ever popular Family Camp: families spend a weekend at Rottnest enjoying several organised activities, such as the Friday Sundowner, the famous Golden Quokka Treasure Hunt, sandcastle making, and other exciting activities. This is a community event attended by families and staff of our school.

EXCURSIONS

Whenever possible, we link our learning to real-world experiences. Children participate in nature study and outdoor classrooms, and regular excursions are part and parcel of each term as museums, galleries, exhibitions, etc. are visited to reinforce and enhance classroom activities.

Quintilian teachers all have their bus license and our two 30-seater buses are used for both spontaneous and planned excursions and for annual camps.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

CLUBS

We offer a range of clubs and extra-curricular activities for students, providing an opportunity for children to engage and socialise outside the classroom. These include (but are not limited to) drama, choir, gardening and chess.

SUSTAINABILITY

Quintilian School is committed to our students' understanding of sustainability practices. We believe that through education and modelling, we can make a difference and instil a strong respect for the environment. Examples of our sustainability initiatives include: recycling programs, free-range chickens, organic vegetable gardens, being water-wise, solar panels and teaching energy awareness.

OUR COMMUNITY

We are a friendly and sociable school and parents often become friends for life. There are numerous social events, fundraisers, student performances, school discos, busy bees and class catch-ups where parents and extended family can be involved.

Parents regularly assist in the classroom, library, garden and events or attend excursions and camps. Others become involved as a Class Social Coordinators or at a Board level. Another unique aspect of Quintilian School is that our School Board comprises parents and staff only.

Gatherings of families under our beautiful trees are encouraged, and children are welcome to play on the playground before and after school.

BOOK A TOUR

See all this and more on a personal tour of Quintilian School. To book a tour, visit our website or email our registrar at: registrar@quintilianschool.wa.edu.au.





OUR LOGO

Designed to encompass our philosophy and values, the starburst 'Q' signifies the diversity of our students, parents and staff.

The different sizes of the rays symbolise the growth of our students as they pass through the school.



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