



QUINTILIAN SCHOOL NEWS

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Quintilian families,

Our resilient students have made it to the end of the semester in Quintilian style and grace. They've experienced several excursions and incursions this semester, learning about Australia's indigenous cultures including visits to local landmarks such as Kings Park, listening to stories from historians and examining real life artefacts from all over the country. These hands on, multi-sensory learning opportunities have brought learning to life for our students.

Drama

Drama Deb's after-school club performed their own dramatisation of Harry Potter this week and we are looking forward to our music students showcasing their talents on Friday to round off a hugely successful term.

Sporty Heroes

Our talented students have taken part in some exciting sporting events this semester including netball, hockey, floorball and soccer to name a few. A big thanks to parents and staff who dedicate hours of their own time to make this possible for our students. Additionally, our year 6 students recently attended the inter-school sports carnival at John XXIII College. Their sporting performances were incredibly impressive, displaying great skill, teamwork and enthusiasm. Mutual respect and dignity are key traits of our students - we are very proud of them.

Staffing News

Michele Lemin, our Pre-Kindy teacher, will leave us this term after a successful year covering Nina's maternity leave. We would like to thank Michele for all her hard work, and we wish her all the very best for the future.

Learning environments

New interactive screens will be installed in the year 6 classrooms in readiness for term 3. The new screens are part of the maintenance planning for 2024 and we look forward to further developments in the coming months.

Education News

Next term, we are implementing the reading intervention MiniLit in the lower primary to accompany the successful MacqLit program in our upper school. The program provides explicit instruction in phonemic awareness, systematic synthetic phonics for reading and spelling, letter formation and connected text reading.

Parental Involvement

A huge thank you to our students for their innovative and forward-thinking contributions during Entrepreneurship Week. We are immensely grateful to the parents who joined us to make the week a collaborative and valuable experience for all, and a big thanks to our Sharks, Brad Giles, Caitlan & Edward Sim, Kent Cliffe, Nadja Cramer, Nathan Baws & Renata Bittencourt. The preparations for Quintilian's inaugural 'Kids Market' are now in full swing, promising to bring our students' visionary ideas to life.

On behalf of all the Quintilian staff, we hope you have a relaxing holiday, and we look forward to seeing you in term 3.

Warm regards,

Elliott Hateley



Principal Elliott Hateley

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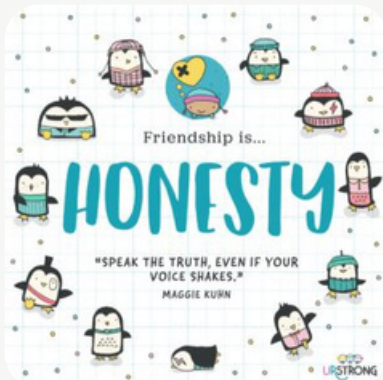
IMPORTANT DATES

Fri 28 June	Last Day Term 2
Tues 23 July	Term 3 Starts
Fri 26 Jul - Fri 2 Aug	Year 6 Kimberley Camp
Fri 9 August	Parent Floorball Night
Wed 14 August	Midweek Munchies
Tues 20 August	Open Classroom Evening

WELLBEING FOCUS | HONESTY

This month's URSTRONG theme is **HONESTY** and is all about encouraging the kids to "speak their truth, even if their voice shakes."

In Friendology, we teach kids to show their true colours while always being kind-on-purpose. Friendship Ninja's stand up for themselves by being honest about how they are feeling. Being authentic and 'true to who you are' is essential in cultivating healthy friendships.



Wellbeing theme for July | Diversity



Did you know that Quintilian School turns 50 next year?

The school was established in 1975 by a committed group of parents and educators who saw the need for a small-scale, non-denominational community-orientated school aimed at meeting the individual needs of students. Now, almost 50 years later, this same philosophy forms the basis of everything Quintilian and its educators and staff stand for.

We pride ourselves on small class sizes and inspire our students to develop their character through diverse experiences.

Our vibrant and passionate teachers recognise that students learn in various ways and have the flexibility to employ bespoke teaching methodologies to promote deeper thinking and engagement.

We encourage parents to actively participate in school activities so we can cultivate a connected, innovative and welcoming environment for all families.

THE QUINTILIAN WAY



These five quintessential aspects of education define the Quintilian School experience and foster deeply engaged and curious students with a profound understanding of the world around them.



Throughout term 2, students across all year groups eagerly planned, prepared and created an array of diverse projects as part of our inaugural Entrepreneurship Week celebrations, which culminated in the Quintilian Shark Tank Pitch-Fest held last Friday.

Dragon puppets, mobile x-ray machines, hair scrunchies and arts & crafts apps were just a sample of ideas presented to our panel of Sharks who were thoroughly impressed with every presentation. This whole school initiative brought a wonderful energy to our school community and fostered a heightened sense of creativity amongst students, offering an

ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK

opportunity to practice public speaking and STEM skills and develop an entrepreneurial spirit.

To further celebrate creativity and innovation, Quintilian will host our very own **Quintilian Kids Market on Sunday 27 October**. The event aims to encourage entrepreneurial flair among students and children in the wider community, empowering young minds with real-world business experience.

The Market supports the philosophy that everything is made by the kids and sold by the kids...with all profits going to the kids.

Further info to come so stay tuned!





WHY DID THE CHICKENS CROSS THE ROAD?

They didn't because they love their Quintilian home so much!

To ensure we keep their coop cosy, we're offering Quintilian families the role of a lifetime -

Guardians of the Chickens!

- Are you a bird lover?
- Are you keen to be an esteemed chicken hero?
- Do you have a buddy who'd like to share the role with you?

Our feathered girls are a much-loved part of the Quintilian community. Whilst the Year 5 children enjoy visiting them daily to collect and count their eggs, as well as feed and water them, ***there are some aspects of their care that need an adult's touch on an ongoing basis throughout term.***

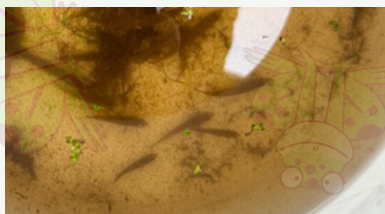
If you feel you're up for the role, please email Rebecca Potts for further details.

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CHECK OUT OUR NEW FROG POND

There have been some busy bees working on what is now our beautiful frog pond, which now houses around 15 pygmy perch and 15 glass shrimp. Hopefully the frogs will come soon!

A massive shout out and thank you to Aaron (year 4) and his dad Ben who gave up many hours over numerous weekends to get the task done. Fabulous job and our Quintilian community is very grateful for their efforts.



OUR STUDENT BOARD

The Quintilian Student Board have had a busy term!

Their “not-so-hot” chocolate Friday initiative was a resounding success which saw most of the school excitedly lining up at lunch time for their very own cup of cocoa.

They also had the opportunity to discuss what decarbonisation could mean for our community during a meeting with Federal Member for Curtin, Kate Chaney MP. She presented the Student Board with the results of Curtin’s recent **Pathway to Net Zero** report, which offered an accessible and engaging big picture look at this important topic.



LAKE CLAREMONT

This month saw many of our classes head into the great outdoors, where they rolled up their sleeves and got gloved up to help the Friends of Lake Claremont (FOLC) plant native seedlings as part of their 2024 planting season.

The FOLC is a community based organisation run entirely by volunteers who work tirelessly on regeneration projects, and what better way to contribute to our local community than to assist their efforts to conserve and enhance our local park, Lake Claremont - a Conservation Category Wetland and Bush Forever Site.



MEET THE TEACHER



TRISTAN COLLIN | YEAR 3

Q: How long have you taught at Quintilian?

A: I have taught at Quintilian for 4 years. Best teaching job I have ever had!

Q: What does honesty mean to you and how do you see this show up in Quintilian students?

A: For me, honesty means to act and speak truthfully. A part of that is about showing respect for others too. I see this every day with Quintilian students in how they interact with their peers during recess, lunch and during lessons.

Q: If you could be an action/superhero who would you be and why?

A: Batman, hands down. He is one of the only ones who doesn't have a superpower!

Q: What's your favourite board game?

A: Monopoly

Q: You've been a dad for a year now - how many dad jokes do you know? Can you share one with us?

A: Love a good dad joke. I'm guilty of overusing this one...Student says "Tristan, I'm hungry!" My response "Hi Hungry, I'm Tristan!"

Q: Carrot cake or lamingtons?

A: Hard hitting question! I'm going to have to go with carrot cake (the added veggies make you feel less guilty).



Q: How long have you taught at Quintilian?

A: I have been teaching at Quintilian for 6 years.

Q: What does honesty mean to you and how do you see this show up in Quintilian students

A: I think Quintilian students show honesty in that they are able to explore what it means to be themselves and are able to be true to themselves and others. In this way, I see the Quintilian value of acceptance demonstrated every day.

Q: What led you to learn to speak French?

A: I loved learning French at school and had a fantastic teacher who inspired me. I also spent time living in France as part of my degree, as well as afterwards, and fell in love with the language and the culture.

Q: What's your favourite French food?

A: There are so many to choose from! My favourite French savoury food is **tartiflette**, which is a creamy mixture of cheesy potato and bacon from the Savoie region of France. My favourite sweet French food has got to be a really good almond croissant.



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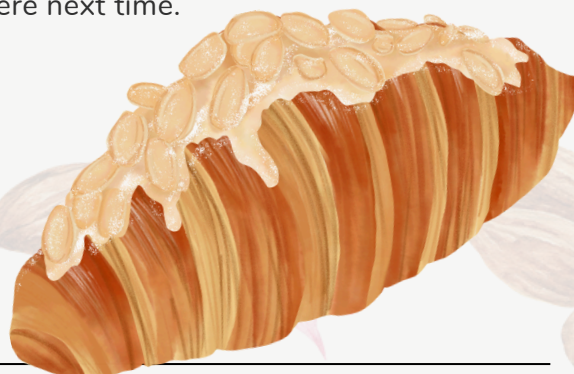
MADAME MONIQUE JENNER | FRENCH

Q: What do you most appreciate about French culture and why?

A: I'm a foodie at heart and I love the time French people spend around the table, eating and enjoying each other's company. They really take their time. Most schools have at least an hour for lunch and the students are served four courses - I'm sure there are a few Quinny kids who would love that!

Q: If you could live in France for a year, where would you call home?

A: I spent a year studying in Tours which is part of the Loire Valley - where all the castles are. I also spent a year in La Rochelle on the southwest coast of France. Off this coast was a little island called Isle de Ré - I think I would like to spend a year here next time.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Earlier this month, Mel and Clare attended a professional learning workshop offered by the Reggio Emilia Australia Information Exchange - “Intersections: Connecting the Reggio Approach to the EYLF”.

Led by pedagogical experts Catharine Hydon and Leanne Mits, this workshop provided an engaging and interactive opportunity to explore the strong connections between the principles of Reggio Emilia—a philosophy that informs and influences our practices at Quintilian—and the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF), the national framework used in all early childhood educational settings.

Mel and Clare returned from the workshop reaffirmed, inspired, and excited to share their findings with the rest of the team. Their enthusiasm and insights will undoubtedly enhance our collective approach to early childhood education, further enriching the learning experiences of our children.



SCITECH FAMILY NIGHT

More than 260 Quintilian community members enjoyed our family Scitech Night on 8 June, which was an impressive turnout on a cold and blustery winter's evening. Thank you to all who attended to make this event such a success.



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WACKY WEDNESDAY

The children were greeted with some wild & wacky shenanigans when they arrived at school today! Why was Jen in her PJs at work? Is Tristan an Eagles supporter now? And why was Kylo Ren at our front gate?

We're sure your children will have some interesting stories to tell after school!

