



# QUINTILIAN SCHOOL NEWS



## OPEN CLASSROOM 2025

Thank you for joining us for the chance to see what your children have been immersed in during their Quintilian learning journey so far this year.

From Collaborative Art in Pre-Kindy and our Sheddies' Alice Lindstrom-inspired Beautiful Eggs to Aboriginal Dreaming Story Rainbow Birds in Year 4 and the Year 6s epic Lava Dome Volcanoes complete with smoke and sound effects, the pride

on our students' faces as they presented their efforts to family members was the most satisfying outcome we could hope for as educators.

Engaged and active students who love learning... our Open Classroom saw the Quintilian way on full display.



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## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>**Fri 27 June**</b>	<b>**Last day of Term 2**</b>
<b>**Tues 22 July**</b>	<b>**Term 3 starts**</b>
Wed 13 August	Midweek Munchies
Thurs 21 August	Book Week Parade
Sat 23 August	P&F 70s Disco Quiz Night 6.30 - 10pm
Wed 17 & Thurs 18 Sept	School Production 6pm



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Quintilian Families and Friends,

Term 2 has flown by and it's a pleasure for me to share some highlights from an amazing few months at Quintilian. Our school community continues to thrive with exciting developments across enrolments, staffing, events and strategic initiatives. I'd like to extend my thanks to all the students, staff and parents for another great term. The Board and P&F have also been instrumental behind the scenes. We are grateful for their ongoing commitment.

The quality of the curriculum continues to be enriched through incursions and excursions, which help our students learn through inquiry, motivation and critical thinking. This term we have seen many of our students experience learning outside the classroom, from excursions to Lake Claremont to retro historical adventures at Nostalgia Box and Subiaco Museum. Several parent volunteers have also helped and we thank them for their support.

### Staffing News

We're pleased to share continued growth in student numbers this term, including new Pre-Primary students joining us in Term 3. This allows us to move to a two-stream Pre-Primary model - an exciting step forward for our school. Our aim is to maintain small class sizes and provide a personalised learning experience for your children.

We also welcome new Education Assistants to our team: Charlotte (Pre-Primary & Year 1), Cheryl (Years 2 & 4), and Tayla (Year 3). Hannah has also increased her days in Year 6. We have a strong team of educators throughout the school who deliver evidenced-based programs and a rich variety of learning opportunities.

### Events That Brought Us Together

Term 2 has been packed with memorable events that reflect our school's spirit of community and fun:

- The Mother's Day Gala extended to include Years 3-6 for the first time

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**50**  
YEARS  
1975 - 2025

- Our annual Rottnest Family Camp was a big hit once again
- The FairGame Fun Run raised nearly \$900 and provided valuable sporting equipment donations
- P&F's Pancake & Pyjama Party returned with great success
- Our ELC Coffee Morning offered a valuable window into the Quintilian learning journey from Pre-Primary and beyond

### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The celebrations continue, with heartfelt alumni videos shared on our social channels, and Bella Benjamin now leading the revival of the iconic 1970s Quintilian Cookbook. Read on for a family recipe call-out! And don't forget to save the date: our grand celebration will be held on Sunday, 16 November from 2-5pm.

### School Production - 17 & 18 September

You may have noticed that auditions are underway in preparation for the biennial school production which promises to be another spectacular event for the school community. Good luck to all the students involved.

Next term is also entrepreneurship term so all students will channel their creativity in preparation for the annual Kids Market in term 4.

On behalf of all the Quintilian staff, we wish you all a safe and relaxing holiday, and we look forward to seeing you all next term.

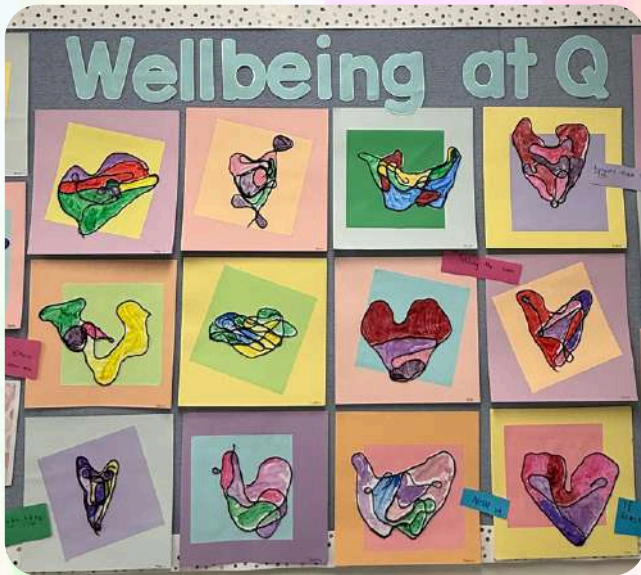
Warm regards,



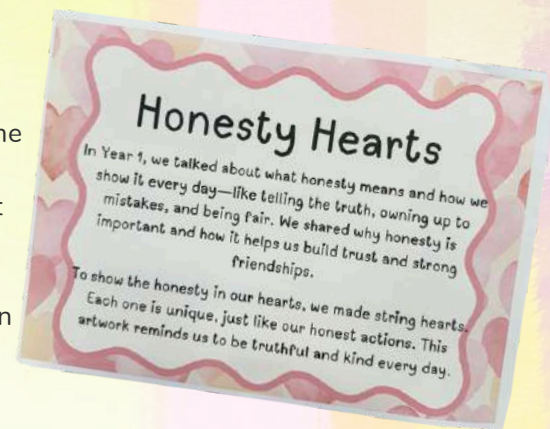
Principal Elliott Hateley



## WELLBEING FOCUS | HONESTY



This month's URStrong theme is **HONESTY** and is all about encouraging 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.

This term, our students joined the Friends of Lake Claremont (FOLC) to support their 2025 planting season. With gloves on and spades in hand, they helped plant native seedlings to restore and protect this special wetland environment.

The activity gave students the chance to learn about conservation in a practical way. They discovered how planting native species supports biodiversity, improves soil health, and creates safe habitats for local wildlife. It also helped them understand the value of community action and environmental care.

The students showed fantastic teamwork and cooperation. They worked together, encouraged one another, and showed real pride in contributing to a meaningful cause.

FOLC is a local volunteer organisation dedicated to caring for Lake Claremont, a Bush Forever site and Conservation Category Wetland. We're proud to support their efforts and help students connect with nature and their community.

Families interested in volunteering can join FOLC's monthly busy bee, held on the second Sunday of each month, or email [contact@friendsoflakeclaremont.org](mailto:contact@friendsoflakeclaremont.org) for more information.

## HELPING HANDS AT LAKE CLAREMONT





# SPOTLIGHT ON



Our Year 3s have had a super busy term of progress, learning and most importantly, achieving their own personal bests across all areas of the curriculum.

## LITERACY

Students took a deep dive into the world of creative writing, exploring how to craft vivid settings through a character's eyes, using their senses and rich descriptive language to bring scenes to life. It was wonderful to see their creativity shine! A highlight of the term was their book study of "Runt" by Craig Silvey—a heartwarming story about a girl and her extraordinary dog. The themes of friendship, resilience, and courage sparked thoughtful discussions and made for a memorable shared reading experience.

## MATHS

This term's maths focus has been on multiplication, division, money and length, with students building their number fluency and applying their skills in practical ways. A standout moment was the Lego Shop activity, where students used real-world maths to "buy" and "sell" Lego pieces, practicing calculations, budgeting, and measuring in a fun, hands-on way. It's been a fantastic term of learning through doing!

## SCIENCE

Our students explored the fascinating world of living things, learning how animals can be grouped based on observable features and how they differ from non-living things. Learning was topped off with a visit to Perth Zoo.



## IT SKILLS

Children combined creativity with technology by designing their own Choose Your Own Adventure stories using PowerPoint. They learned how to use slide transitions, and branching pathways to create interactive narratives.

## DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGIES

Students explored sustainability by creating their own mini herb gardens inside terrariums, learning about plant needs, eco-friendly design and how to repurpose materials to support growth.

## HASS (Humanities and Social Sciences)

Australia and its neighbours were investigated, focusing on geography, culture and key features of the region. This project provided a fantastic journey of discovery and connection.

## ART

Students explored the Dreamtime story of Tiddalik the Frog, using it as inspiration to create their own frogs from air-dried clay, developing their sculpting skills and painting techniques.



## WHAT IS INQUIRY-BASED LEARNING?

Inquiry-based learning is a form of learning based solely around questioning to seek knowledge.

Learning is presented as a problem or scenario for students to solve, with student exploration at the forefront of the teaching and learning experience.

Students use open-ended questions to direct their own learning based upon their own interests.

They formulate questions, research answers to their posed questions, share their answers and new knowledge, and then reflect about the process.

Inquiry-based learning allows students to truly understand content and increase comprehension.

They are given autonomy to determine the questions about a topic they want to further

explore, enabling them to make connections and deepen their learning.

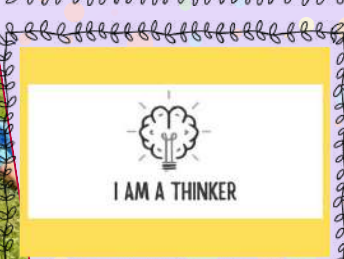
The Quintilian Way encourages curiosity and problem-solving through a holistic, integrated curriculum, that embraces an inquiry-based learning approach.

Our goal is to:

- ♥ foster a love of learning
- 💙 build strong character among our students
- 🟡 encourage collaboration and communication
- 💜 connect learning to the real world

By creating an environment that supports exploration, inquiry and meaningful learning experiences, we equip our students with the tools they need to succeed in school and beyond.

## 6 Assets OF INQUIRY LEARNING





## P&F PANCAKE & PYJAMA PARTY



Tuesday 10 June saw the much-anticipated return of Quinny's ever-popular Pancake & Pyjama Party! A favourite with kids and parents alike, it was also a chance for staff to show off their finest PJs (yes, Mel - we mean you!). While the rain poured, so did the syrup, chocolate, bananas and more. By 7:30am the school was jam-packed with happy faces and full bellies.

Huge thanks to our amazing parent helpers and P&F members for making everything run as smoothly as syrup on a hot stack. A truly un-peel-ievable morning of cosy fun, sweet treats, and community spirit!

New P&F Committee members are always welcome - email [quintilianpf@gmail.com](mailto:quintilianpf@gmail.com) if you'd like to join us.



It's now time to **mark your calendars** for the next P&F event and prepare to get your bling on for our **70s Disco Quiz Night on Saturday 23 August**.

Purchase your tickets early, as this one is always popular. We can't wait to see you there!

**Chris Hurren**  
P&F President





## FAIRGAME FUN RUN



A giant THANK YOU to all our families for your generous donations towards our FairGame Fundraiser.

As well as collecting an enormous amount of pre-loved sporting goods, we also raised almost \$900 for this wonderful cause that recycles sports equipment and distributes it to children in remote, regional and underserved communities across Western Australia.

  
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 Where Kids love to be!



# VACATION CARE 30 JUN - 21 JUL

**Monday - Friday**  
**7am - 6pm**  
**Quintilian School**

**BOOK TODAY**  
**[theicare.com.au](http://theicare.com.au)**



## SHARE YOUR FAVOURITE RECIPES WITH US

Did you know that once upon a time, Quintilian had its own cookbook? It was created by Quintilian School creator and founder, Pattie Benjamin (pictured right).

To celebrate our big 50th birthday, plans are underway to create a new Quintilian cookbook... and we need your help!

We're calling for recipe submissions from our whole school community - children, parents, grandparents, teachers. This will be a book of yummy, nutritious food, and lots of beautiful artwork too.

So put on your chef's hat and start thinking about a favourite recipe you'd like to share - starter, snack, main meal or dessert. Our goal is to create a cookbook filled with 50 recipes!

Please send in your recipes by 31 July to [events@quintilianschool.wa.edu.au](mailto:events@quintilianschool.wa.edu.au)

# Celebrating 50 YEARS



## QUINTILIAN 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS



Due to popular demand, we've re-opened orders for Quintilian School's 50th Anniversary collector's item T-shirts, which have been 100% designed by our talented students.

If you missed the order cut off the first time, be sure to place your **orders before Monday 30 June**, so you too can own your very own piece of Quintilian history.

Place orders via [Humanitix](https://www.humanitix.com).

**Kids/Youth Tees (Cobalt Blue)**  
Available in sizes 2 – 16  
**\$30**

**Adult (unisex) Tees (Petrol Blue/Grey)**  
Available in sizes XS – 3XL  
**\$32**

Thanks for being part of the fabulous Quintilian community - once a Quinny always a Quinny!





## NEW INSTRUMENT LESSONS: SAXOPHONE & CLARINET

On The Run Music is thrilled to introduce clarinet and saxophone to the lineup of instruments now available for private lessons either during or outside of school hours.

### Welcoming our new tutor

Maxfield Parish is a versatile multi-instrumentalist and composer who graduated from the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA) with an Advanced Diploma of Music in 2023. His musical journey began in childhood with the clarinet, eventually expanding to include saxophone, keyboard, and bass guitar.

Known for his adaptability and creative flair, Max is an active contributor to Perth's vibrant music scene. He performs with a range of ensembles spanning genres such as jazz, indie rock, funk, pop, and R&B bringing both skill and soul to every project he's part of.

To enquire or enrol in lessons, please visit [www.ontherunmusic.com.au](http://www.ontherunmusic.com.au).



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Vintage 1970**

# Quinny Quiz Night

Dust off your flares and test your up to date general knowledge at the popular Quinny Quiz Night!

Prizes to be won, and laughter to be had!

**SATURDAY AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup> 6:30PM**  
**REABOLD TENNIS CLUB, OCEANIC DRIVE, FLOREAT**

TEAMS OF 10 | \$300 A TABLE | \$30 TICKET

BYO SHAREPLATES AND DECORATIONS FOR YOUR TABLE

BAR AVAILABLE

**P&F 70s DISCO QUIZ NIGHT**  
**Sat 23 August**  
**6.30 - 10pm**

# SAVE THE DATE

## CELEBRATE QUINTILIAN'S 50<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!

### SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER

### 2 - 5PM

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**MORE INFO  
TO COME**