

NEWSLETTER 24th February 2017

# QUINTILIAN SCHOOL

#### BOARD

#### Dear Quintilian Community

Well the school year is now in full swing. We tried a new format with our recent Welcome Back Party and for all who braved the weather I'm sure you'll agree it was an overwhelming success. This event kicks off our social calendar and the energy and ideas we have received in feedback bodes very well for future Quintilian events. These events will be coordinated by the Events Committee and we would like to thank the members of this committee who have recently been appointed for 2017: Sueanne Munckton (Mandy and Sarah, Year 2), Carolyn Lilley (Bunmi, Year 5), Vona Smith (Addison, Year 5) and Rebecca Potts (Deputy Principal). We encourage you to seek out these members to contribute your feedback, ideas and assistance. We wish to thank those who have already offered to assist in future events as required.

Our Annual General Meeting is now only a few weeks away (Tuesday 21st March, 6pm). Please put this date in your diary and I hope to see many of you there. We have already had a good level of interest for members to join the Board at this meeting and we continue to encourage members to consider this opportunity to contribute to the governance and strategy of our school.

Regards,

Bruce Hegge

Chair of Board

### **ROTTO 2017**

A quick reminder to all families that they are responsible for booking their own accommodation and ferries for Rottnest.

When booking ferries online please enter the promotion code.Valid for Travel 12th May – 22nd May.:

#### **Rottnest Express**

http://www.rottnestexpress.com.au

Discount Code: QUINSCHFAM12THAY17

Rottnest Fast Ferries (Depart Hillarys):

http://www.rottnestfastferries.com.au

Discount Code: QUINTILIAN17



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Annual General Meeting 6pm Tuesday 21st March
- Disco 5.30—8pm Friday 31st March evening
- Open Morning 9.30am Thursday, 30th March
- Last day of term for students Thursday 6th April
- Rottnest 19th,20th, 21st May (Friday, Saturday & Sunday)
  The main event is on Saturday 20th May for the day trippers .

## PRINCIPAL

#### **Dear Parents**

I am delighted to tell you that I have appointed Mandy Simmons as our Inclusive Education Coordinator and Susan Beilby as our Learning Enrichment Coordinator. Mandy's role involves supporting children in our school who have a variety of different and sometimes challenging learning needs and liaising with and supporting their parents and teachers. Susan's appointment is in a newly created position in which her expertise will be focussed on creating learning enrichment opportunities for our gifted and talented students as well as all students within our school.

I have recently been in discussion with Australian Mensa which is a not-forprofit society that houses members who qualify by having an IQ in the top 2% of the population. They were very impressed with how we educate children at Quintilian and offered us the opportunity of support for our school, which I accepted.

We strive to include critical, creative and problem solving skills in our curriculum to encourage high level intellectual thinking. For example, we have implemented the teaching methods of Singapore Mathematics, which has proven to be one of the most effective methods for learning numeracy skills. I am excited to be cooperating with Australian Mensa as I believe this will offer our teachers and students outstanding learning opportunities.

#### Coffee Van

We are trialling having the Roaming Barista on our soccer oval every Friday morning from 8.30 - 9.30 am to make delicious coffees for parents and staff. I encourage you to make use of this new initiative so that it becomes a regular service at Quintilian.

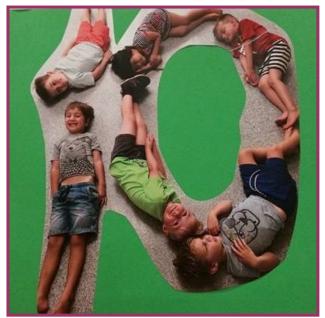
Neil Collins Principal

## LET'S CELEBRATE 100 DAYS

A special **SURPRISE EVENT** has been planned to celebrate 100 days of school —this falls on the 27th July with the Event being held the following day—Friday 28th July—put it in your calendar.

This is a 'surprise event' for the school being organised by the Events Committee and all will be revealed at assembly that morning.

We will be celebrating the year to date, all the fun we have had, friends we have made, places we have gone, visitors we have had and things we have learnt.



Every 10 days a class group is responsible for adding to our 100 Days Display in the School Music Room.

Thanks to our wonderful Sheddies class for starting us off with the number 10.

Our Pre-Kindy kids will be looking after the number 20, Pre-Primary the number 30, Year 1 the number 40 and so on until our teachers will complete the count with the number 100. Speak to your class teachers with any ideas you may have for making your contribution fun and interesting.

Keep an eye out as the count continues! And as more details are slowly revealed—<u>can you guess</u> what we will be doing???

Let us know your guesses by emailing the Events Committee at events@quintilianschool.edu.wa.au

### ELC - COFFEE N KIDS FRIDAYS

Come and have a cuppa and chat while your little ones play in the Quintilian ELC playground from 9am—10.15am

Tea and coffee provided however for those who enjoy a real coffee you can purchase one from the coffee van near the entrance to the ELC area.

## STEM AND ICT NEWS

#### Dear Parents of Children in Years 3 - 6,

As I am sure you are all aware ever-changing technology affects so many things, including the jobs of the future. They say that the jobs that your children will be doing in the future haven't even been thought of yet!

Technology is forever moving forward and this can open up all sorts of possibilities for the future employment for our children.

The Curriculum is changing to embrace the new technologies and at Quintilian we like to expose the children to as many learning experiences as possible.

The following information is for those parents who would like to enrol their children in Grok Learning

#### https://groklearning.com/about/

This program is being used in many schools across WA. The much reduced subscription costs \$30 for 365 days of membership. It gives the children access to competitions and all the learning materials they need to learn coding and, later, web design. The all-access price is usually \$100 each for children.

The program is only available through the school. If you are interested please send your details by return email to:

<u>lisathomas@quintilianschool.wa.edu.au</u> and I can enrol your child and provide them with a log in.

### KIDZ N SPORT

Multi Sport for Pre-Primary, Year 1, 2, & 3

Kidz'n'sport is hugely enjoyed by the children participating.

I already notice my daughter is more confident to kick throw and give the



games a go. It's great that all basic skills in sport are taught in such a fun way.

Your child can join anytime during the term. It would be fantastic if more children join to keep the numbers going and ensure we can offer Kidz'n'sport for the rest of the year.

**Trial Lesson** Children who are interested but are not sure if they like it can have a trial lesson. If they decide it is not their thing and don't want to return there is absolutely no cost.

If they do like it then enrol online to pay for that lesson and the rest of the term. You can text Anthony Tattersal (head coach) 0422877794 for a trial providing your child's name, age and contact details. Ina Meijer (Elin Yr 3, Jens Pre Primary)

## WELCOME BACK PARTY 2017



#### What a fantastic night we all had!

Despite the heaviest of rainfalls and the coldest day in February for 70 years, over 300 of our Quintilian Community turned out for some fun, yummy food

and to catch up with friends.

There was plenty of fun to be had with the enormous Zorb Balls rolling round the arena often accompanied with screams of fun as kids were turned inside out and upside down. Hours were spent cuddling guinea pigs, feeding lambs bottles of milk



and standing still while a chicken sat on your head.

The games and photo booth saw many prizes walking away from the coin toss and great laughter as students and teachers fought over the noodle toss and ten pin bowling.

Everyone was bounced 'round the Wall-E Bouncy

Castle all night and then there the was Trash Clubso loud but so much fun! The Friend-Totem ship was still be-



ing added to all week and will now go on display at the school.

Our area just for our little Quintilian friends was always full and filled with balls and foam shapes of all descriptions. Lots of giggles and laughter too!

It was great to see all our families chatting and enjoying a new year catch up. There was also plenty of time to relax over some food and a drink cooked and served by the School Board and volunteers.



As with all events it is not possible without the amazing help of our school volunteers—**THANK YOU**!! - for making this such a fun night for all.



We were also very fortunate to have the support of many local businesses and their details are included in this Newsletter.

*"It was really great. The Zorb Balls were heaps of fun. I thought it was the best Sundowner ever!".....*Cooper Yr 4

"I loved being with my friends and feeding the animals!".Sarah Yr2

On behalf of the Quintilian School Board and Events Committee—thank you for coming and we look forward to seeing you at the next school event. Sue-anne Munckton

#### THANK YOU TO THE SPONSORS OF OUR WELCOME BACK PARTY 2017





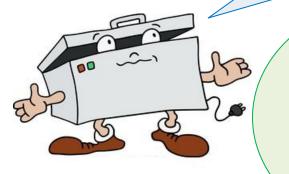




...and of course all the amazing help from the team of Quintilian School Staff, School Board and parents!!



Please retire me...I have served you well but am in need of a pleasant retirement in my old age.....please let me go.....



Hey what about me??..... I am full to bursting with munchies, school lunches, Yr 3 cooking classes, events, after school care...I need some back and fast!

Help out our old faithful chest freezer and long suffering overloaded fridge by purchasing

# your Entertainment Book

from the link below. All proceeds will go towards a new freezer and another fridge for our school kitchen. Much needed and way overdue!

Our kitchen is used every day for class cooking, after school care, school lunches, Mid week Munchies, discos, Freezing Fridays and school events just to name a few! The ability to store food and buy

in bulk where possible is desperately needed.



By clicking on the link below you can place your order for either the book or digital membership. Pre-order yours now!

# https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/839a33

Please pass onto family and friends.



**Netball Season** is fast approaching and we are looking for interested players for the 2017 winter season.

We hope to have a team for each year 3, 4, 5 & 6, however this will depend on player numbers.

An email has already gone out to the parents of these year groups with the link for registration.

## QUINTILIAN SCHOOL – TERM 1, 2017 as of 24.2.17 (Dates/times may change)

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	
	30 <sup>th</sup> January	31 <sup>st</sup> January	1 <sup>st</sup> February	2 <sup>nd</sup> February	3 <sup>rd</sup> February	
1	Staff Development Day	Staff Development Day	Welcome Back Assembly	Yr 6 Surfing AM	No Assembly	
-	6 <sup>th</sup> February	7 <sup>th</sup> February Yr 5 Parent	8 <sup>th</sup> February	9 <sup>th</sup> February	10 <sup>th</sup> February Library	
2	Yr 6 Parent Meeting 3.30pm PP Parent Meeting 3.30pm	Meeting 3.30pm Yr 1 Parent Meeting 3.30pm	Cluster Meetings Yr 2 parent Meeting 3.30pm	Yr 6 Surfing AM Yr 4 parent Meeting 3.30pm	Assembly Yr 3 parent Meeting 3.30pm 2017 Sundowner	
	13 <sup>th</sup> February	14 <sup>th</sup> February	15 <sup>th</sup> February	16 <sup>th</sup> February	17 <sup>th</sup> February	
3			Staff Meeting	Yr 6 Surfing AM	Yr 5 Sustainability Assembly	
	20 <sup>th</sup> February	21 <sup>st</sup> February	22 <sup>nd</sup> February	23 <sup>rd</sup> February	24th February	
4	Yr 4 Mosman Park AM		MIDWEEK MUNCHIES	No Surfing	Yr 6 Assembly	
	Yr 5 Art Gallery		Cluster Meetings	Yr 4,5,6 Writers Fest.		
	27 <sup>th</sup> February	28 <sup>th</sup> February	1 <sup>st</sup> March	2 <sup>nd</sup> March	3 <sup>rd</sup> March	
5			Yr 1 Kings Pk 9 – 12.30pm Staff Meeting	Yr 6 Surfing AM	Yr 4 Assembly	
	6 <sup>th</sup> March	7 <sup>th</sup> March	8 <sup>th</sup> March Whole school	9 <sup>th</sup> March	10 <sup>th</sup> March	
6	LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY	Yr 3 Sculptures 9 – 12.30pm	Incur.11-2.45 Yr 5 & 6 Sculptures	Yr 6 Surfing AM	Yr 2 Assembly	
	13 <sup>th</sup> March	14 <sup>th</sup> March	15 <sup>th</sup> March	16 <sup>th</sup> March	17 <sup>th</sup> March	
7	Yr 2 Sculptures 9.30am Modcross Yr 3,4,5,6	9 – 10am Yr 6 Federation Incursion	Staff Meeting Yr 4 Sculptures Yr 5 Tranby House 9 – 3pm	Yr 6 Surfing AM	Yr 3 Assembly Yr 1 Sculptures by the sea	
	20 <sup>th</sup> March	21 <sup>st</sup> March	22 <sup>nd</sup> March	23 <sup>rd</sup> March	24 <sup>th</sup> March	
8	Modcross Yr 3,4,5,6	Annual General Meeting 6pm	Cluster Meetings	Yr 6 Surfing AM	PrePrimary Assembly	
9	27 <sup>th</sup> March	28 <sup>th</sup> March	29 <sup>th</sup> March	30 <sup>th</sup> March	31 <sup>st</sup> March	
	Modcross Yr 3,4,5,6		Yr 3 Camp Staff Meeting	Yr 3 Camp OPEN MORNING Yr 6 Surfing AM	Yr 3 Camp Yr 1 Assembly DISCO !	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> April	4 <sup>th</sup> April	5 <sup>th</sup> April	6 <sup>th</sup> April	7 <sup>th</sup> April	
10	Yr 2 Literacy Centre 12-3pm	Yr 6,9 - 10am Three levels of		Yr 6 IPSHA basketball French	Staff Development	